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IMPORTANT FROM KEY WEST.

The Capture of the British Steamer Pearl and the Rebel Steamer Virginia.

VALUABLE CARGO ON BOARD THE LATTER.

About Thirty Prize Vessels in the Harbor.

The Admiralty Court Very Much Behind.

EFFECT OF THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION.

From Our Own Correspondent.

KEY WEST, FLA., Thursday, Jan. 29, 1863.

On the night of the 22d there arrived in our harbor the two sister ships of war, the Tioga and the Kanawha, the former from a cruise among the Bahamas, bringing as a prize of war the British steamer Pearl, which is one of several whose names have been published as being engaged for the rebels to run our blockade. The Pearl is an iron boat, with side-wheels, 200 feet length of hull and 24 feet beam, draws but five feet water and will run sixteen miles per hour. She has but little cargo, and that about 2,000 blue jackets. Vessel and cargo owned by Mr. Geo. Wise, a straw man, and associate of her British Majesty's Consul, J. Y. Crawford, consigned to Aguilar & Co., Nassau. She refused to stop until several guns had been fired. The Kanawha comes from the Mexican coast, and has the rebel steamer Victoria as a prize, now on the way here, with a valuable cargo of wines, coffee, &c. This steamer was seized by the Mexican authorities for some violation of their laws, and was subsequently turned over to our possession, and will doubtless be a prize. There is no pretense other than that she is rebel property.

On Friday morning, the 26th, the steamer Swan, a condemned prize, purchased by parties here and at New-York, and refitted in good order, was ready, with steam on and all aboard, to start for New-Orleans, when suddenly the Captain was called on for the vessel's papers, for the inspection of Admiral Bailey, with the notice that the steamer should remain at the wharf. Happens that the managing owner of the Swan had employed as captain and pilot two men whose myself is not clear proof of loyalty. The Captain is a man who, two weeks since, being pilot of the steamer Mountain Spring, run her ashore with an entire regiment of troops on board, (the One Hundred and Fifty-sixth New-York Volunteers,) who would have thrown him overboard at the time if they could have got at him. Upon his arrival he was at once employed to take the Swan to New-Orleans, and being about ready when the news of the wreck of the ship Sparkling Sea (with the Twenty-fifth New-York Battery) reached here, she was engaged from the owner, at $700 per day, to proceed to the relief of the ship, and went up to within five miles of her, when the Captain protested, in opposition to the opinions of other competent seamen, that it was unsafe to go alongside of the wreck, and finally returned, having accomplished nothing. Other small vessels went to the wreck, and saved twelve of the eighty horses that were alive at the wrecking of the ship, and Capt. Waite, of the Sparkling Sea, says this steamer could have gone and saved the whole of them. For pilot of the Swan they had employed Capt. James Dunn, who arrived here a few days since Captain of a prize running the blockade with cotton. He has employed much of his time in recounting his adventures in eluding the blockading vessels several times already, and his intention to continue his enterprise in that direction at any and all fitting opportunities. Capt. Dunn's well-known fame as a daring and resolute man, united with his equally palpable rebel proclivities, which he is at no pains to disguise, operated somewhat to cause the detention of the steamer, and the consequent removal of himself and the Captain from the vessel. She has since been permitted to depart with other officers, after being bonded in $30,000 to do no unlawful act.

The ship Sparkling Sea has become a total wreck, and the rigging, sails, anchor, chains, stores and twelve horses, have been brought down by the wrecking vessel. The Marshal is now selling the same at auction, at very high prices. The sails and rigging sell for about what they took a few years since. The horses, after starving, sold for $120 to $140.

Vessels of the Rank's Expedition, rendezvous, continue to ship here for coal, and keep up a continuous labor for their supply both day and night. The last one here was the Sidney Morgan, Quincy, Mariner, Northern Light and Albany.

The free trade steamer Continental arrived on the 20th, from New-York, with the Fifty-third Maine Regiment, bound for New-Orleans; also, the small steamer Alabama, bound north. They are thirty in want of coal, and will proceed at once.

There are about thirty prize vessels in this harbor, awaiting the action of the Court, and many of this number have been here for three to four months, their expenses full enough for keeping, with other expenses consequent upon delay. The public may want to know the reason for this, and I feel bound to inform them that the Admiralty Judge has been absent, enjoying himself; and, although it is now four weeks since his return, there is not yet one case of all those that is noticed for sale.

Since the arrival of the New-York Proclamation, the outward signs of loyalty among some of the inhabitants of our island have been given to the breeze with the boldness in all directions. These demonstrations have in some instances called forth the denunciations and threats of rebel traitors, but to very little purpose—the Sumpters all "leave" at early morn, evincing the first reluctance these people have that the day or their deliverance has dawned.

An American flag, under English colors, was sent to the Gulf, off Gun Key, Bahamas, and became a total loss. The Captain has arrived here with his crew, and reports the vessel as the bark Joseph Pike, of Portland, Me., with a full cargo of sugar and molasses, from Cardenas, Cuba, for Portland. The crew of a Bahama wrecking vessel, the sloop Julia, also arrived here two days since in a small boat, and report that they were blown off the coast while rendering assistance to a shipwrecked vessel, and losing their vessel finally made our coast at Cape Florida.

The prize steamer Virginia arrived on the 26th, and her case is now undergoing examination. The cargo was valuable one, and was received on board at sea, from a schooner from Havana. The master of the Virginia, Capt. Johnson, says that this is the second time he has been captured, and that the Virginia belongs to Spanish owners, who have made four successful trips with her from the African coast with negroes, and landed them in Cuba.

War vessels now in the harbor are the frigate St. Lawrence; steam-of-war Sabine, steamers Pocahontas, Magnolia, Hendrik Hudson; schooners Augusta and Ariel; steamer Octorora.

Merchant vessels—Ships Wizard King, T. J. Southard, Isaac Evans; schooners Lily, David Faust, D. E. Berdan, Ann Eliza; steamers Alabama and Caloric, and Dania, for New-Orleans.

Three prize steamers the Adela, the Pearl and Virginia, and about twenty-eight small sailing vessels.

The brig A. Hopkins, of Mystic, Connecticut, has just arrived this morning from Vera Cruz via New Orleans having carried to Vera Cruz a cargo of army wagons for the French. Among the ships papers is the special license to proceed to New-Orleans signed by the President and Secretary of the Treasury, all under the same voyage. Verily this is serving God and Mammon. F.

LATER FROM NEW-ORLEANS.

ARRIVAL OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON.

The Alabama Reported to Have Been Off the Southwest Pass.

The steamship Geo. Washington, Capt. Gager, from New-Orleans, on the 27th, to E. B. Crowell & Co., bringing the United States mails, full cargo and passengers, arrived yesterday. She made the passage from New-Orleans to Sandy Hook in the quick time of six days and fifteen hours.

She left at anchor at the Southwest Pass steam frigate Mississippi, which left New-Orleans on the 20th to look out for the Alabama, reported to have been off the Pass a few days previous, and to have taken a pilot from one of the pilot boats.

Bark Commerce and ship Herald were inside, bound up. On Feb. 2, 9 A. M., in lat. 37° 30', long. 74° 40', passed close to steamship Arizona, steering S. W., having in tow a large raft with a red flag on it.

OUR NEW-ORLEANS CORRESPONDENCE.

The Prompt Condition of Affairs in the Department—Bad Effects of Conciliation upon the Rebels—Port Hudson Being Strengthened—Possibility of Another Outbreak.

DEPARTMENT OF THE GULF,
NEW-ORLEANS, Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1863.

The defeat of our army under Gen. Sherman, the capture of the Harriet Lane, and the loss of Galveston, are events that do not add much to the good humor or hopefulness of our people. In addition to this, we hear of the constant efforts perceptible, arising from a radical change in the administration of our local affairs. The consequence is that we have all the stagnation and depression of May last, without the hopefulness of an untried future. I am sorry to say that all business is at a stand-still; the merchants are doing nothing, and, what is worse, the apparent hopelessness of a speedy opening of the Mississippi seems destined to act as an incubus for a long and intolerable future. I have, in months past, then and again urged the importance of sending Gen. Butler a few thousand troops to enable him to take the offensive, at least so far as his immediate vicinity was concerned, but my arguments and his petitions failed, and I now have the satisfaction, or rather the mortification, to find Jeff. Davis almost using my own words in his language to the rebel Congress, when urging the importance of keeping the Mississippi closed. He admits that commercial intercourse along the great "aorta of our continent" would be a most direct attack on Richmond, and insinuates, if he does not state it openly, that the Mississippi open the rebellion would be at an end. Such has been all along the feeling of every sensible man in this city, and of everybody in fact who has paid any attention to the subject, except, seemingly, the controllers of affairs at Washington.

The embarrassments which are to be seen felt here by the want of commerce on the Mississippi need accumulate. The greatest amount of administrative ability has been demanded in New-Orleans to feed the thirty thousand poor which the Government inherited from rebel rule. Gen. Butler found this obligation the gravest difficulty to fulfill, but he mastered the responsibility by issuing his celebrated Order 45, in which he levied some three hundred thousand dollars on the rich cotton brokers and others, who had been most instrumental in sustaining the rebellion, and inaugurating the reign of suffering among the industrious poor. With the money thus obtained, he managed, at an expenditure of nearly twenty-three thousand dollars per week, to keep the poverty-stricken poor from starving. It was under the stimulus of this desire that he opened the market, and organized the system of labor that kept the streets clean through the Summer, dug out the canals used for the drainage of the city, and increased the river front by adding vastly to the batteries. To feed these people was the primary object, and to make it possible for the healthy and strong to earn an honest living, he instituted the labor—but, under any circumstances, he acknowledged the necessity of feeding their people; the beginning of the end of this obligation was to date from the opening of the Mississippi, and the obligation was to end with the resumption of trade with the great West. It is easy to perceive how long off are the ameliorations of trade; the hungry suffering cannot, however, long remain—in fact, daily increases in clamor and swell in magnitude of numbers.

Gen. Banks mastered the subject in the shortest way, viz., making the truly responsible—the men who advised the planters not to send cotton to New-Orleans, and thus ruined the city—making these men contribute a small per cent. of their gains to support the poor they created; and for this he has been howled at and abused, and it was the conversation and complaints of these men thus overtaken by retributive justice that gave Rayner Johnson such a fearful idea of the oppressive character of Gen. Butler's rule in New-Orleans. Had he (Johnson) gone among the Union men, or the laboring Union men, he would have received very different impressions. Gen. Banks, no doubt acting under instructions, has attempted, as his subordinates seem to desire, to "soften the rule." The soothing system is to be tried, but look at the result. The blessings of this new state of things only affect favorably the stiff-necked rebels, while the real worthy people of the city are more or less sacrificed. If the wealthy Secessionists are to be coaxed into a love of the Union by courtesies from the National authorities, then it follows that the United States Treasury is to be taxed to feed the poor of New-Orleans, or they are to be left to starve. The United States Treasury is at present taxed enough and that resource is put off. The poor, if left without food—obtained either as a gift, or as the reward of well-directed industry—will soon become discontented and revolutionary. These very rich are to be soothed. Secessionists will at once take advantage of these poor, disaffected people, to tell them that their sufferings are owing to the National authorities; and starting with this potent, they (the desperate poor) will soon be as rebellious and difficult to control as they were when our troops, in May last, took possession of the city.

This new rule socially, I will admit, gives quite an air of relief to our Union officers in high positions. If they will consent to entirely emasculate themselves of all Union proclivities, and make their entire associations among people who, at best, only conceal their hate for the Union, they may yet arrive at such a state of popularity that they will be invited by professed rebels "out to tea," and the young ladies who are so lavish of their attentions upon the officers of the French, English and Spanish vessels in port, might condescend eventually to let even Yankees have a book used in their parlors, it being understood, however, that said Yankees would allow said young ladies to abuse the Union, Union officers, and play on for the thousandth time in one evening, the while old Scotch song, set to new words and christened the "Bonnie Blue Flag." And this is the way that these people are to be brought under the benign influence of the "Star and Stripes." Holding an umbrella over a dunk in a May shower is well-directed philanthropy compared with this "touch." If we are never to be in earnest, if the people who have always been for the Union, have suffered for the Union, and would willingly die a fair fight for the Union, are not to be honored by Union officers and the Union Government, above these smooth-tongued, treasonous, rebel-contrived individuals, then let us abandon the contest at some long portion of the appearance of June. Days far brighter have dawned on disagreeable, and not a contest which is either to put down a rebellion, or end in one of the most odious and deceitful forces that ever marred the pages of history.

The enemy is quietly strengthening Port Hudson. The roads crossing in from the country leading to the bluffs there have, in some instances, fortified back for several miles, and there is nothing but a series of rifle-pits everywhere defending the approaches. There is nothing here on our side that can make any impression on this stronghold after another month is past. The relief of Vicksburgh has enabled the rebels to reinforce Port Hudson; and in accordance with Jeff. Davis' Proclamation, the whole strength of secession will be directed to those points—the time being mainly to elapse the West for being compelled to send its produce to the East, and time be made an circle dependent on a Northern and Eastern market. There is a malicious and diabolical smartness about this that is quite worthy of the devil, who is the chief of rebels, and it may have its effect. One only consolation is left me; both Vicksburgh and Port Hudson are situated on bluffs and on bends in the river, opposite to which are low sandy points; the river is now most rapidly rising, and it is within the possibility of human agency and the Mississippi current to turn the river below these fortified points by making artificial cut-offs. By these means, most likely both places will be eventually put back to the country, and be so far out of the way that they can do no harm to navigation. The effect of thus novel carrying strongholds would be good on commerce, indeed—lessening the distance of the route; for every cut-off brings St. Louis, in the way of navigation, nearer to New-Orleans.

AN INTERESTING DECISION.

From the New-Orleans Bulletin, Jan. 27.

The following decision, delivered on the 24th inst., in the Second District Court, presents a point of considerable interest to persons in any way connected with "Confederate" contracts. The case is of itself peculiar, as the defendant, we learn, presented a claim upon the United States for making the sale, after their seizure by the officers of the Customs:

Patrick McGuigan vs. John O. Chaffraick.—No. 19,164—Second District Court.—This plaintiff claims judgment on a note for $1,600, given on the 18th of February last, and payable sixty days from date.

The defense is, that the consideration of said note was certain sails and canvas furnished to, and work done for, the Confederate Government for the equipment of certain gunboats to be employed against the National Government; that the Confederate Government never has paid a consideration for said work and said furniture of the gunboats.

The evidence clearly shows that the respondent was a kind of contractor for this work, and that he used the services and goods of plaintiff in the supplies furnished.

The contract was not simply an immoral one, but one of a highly criminal character. It was one which could be properly enjoined by a court, if necessary, and subject, by the laws and Constitution of the United States. And, inasmuch as treason is the highest crime known to the laws, the contract in question, akin as it is to treason, must meet the disapproval of the legal tribunals. So much for the contractor's part in this matter.

For the plaintiff, the furnisher of the canvas and work, it appears from the evidence that he was well aware of the purpose to which his property and labor were to be put. He was not a mere part and parcel of the entire transaction, having received, as it appears, a large portion of the price, amounting to some thousands of dollars, there remaining only this balance unpaid. It matters little whether he was a partner in the contract, or whether he supplied the means for carrying it for wait. Their association is the advancement of a work striking at the basis of society, its avowed objects the destruction of the Government of the country, was not only criminal, but the very essence of criminality. Courts of the United States and of Louisiana are not open in the regions of this kind, (Whitesides vs. McGrath, 11 Ann., 40).

The fact also exists that the Confederate Government has not paid him as contractor, and argues from this that plaintiff cannot recover.

Under ordinary circumstances the Court might consider a piece of such kind worthy of some regard, that is to say, had this defendant made either a legal contract, or one with any legal entity entitled to the name of a body corporate. But in this case these qualities are clearly wanting. This contractor can never enforce his contract for want of a legal party defendant. Neither John Doe nor Richard Roe system has and existence in our law. Our jurisprudence admits only of real parties.

It is plain that neither party in this case has any standing in this Court.

Let there be judgment for defendant.

GEN. DIX'S DEPARTMENT.

Affairs at Yorktown—A Guerrilla Fright at Williamsburgh.

YORKTOWN, Monday, Feb. 2.

Nothing has transpired here of importance. On Tuesday since excitement prevailed, from the intelligence that our picket had been driven in at Williamsburgh, and that the enemy was approaching in force. But it proved only to be a raid of guerrillas. They turned, at the approach of our forces, and were soon off toward Richmond.

Lieut.-Col. West, of the One Hundred and Seventy-ninth Pennsylvania, left here for Harrisburgh, Penn., to-day, to bring on reinforcements for that regiment.

All is harmonious in this Department.

FORTRESS MONROE, Monday, Feb. 2.

Nothing has transpired here, to-day.

OUR FORTRESS MONROE LETTER.

National Officers Held Prisoners by the Rebels—Affairs at Suffolk, &c.

FORTRESS MONROE, Sunday, Feb. 1, 1863.

The flag-of-truce boat Henry Burden, bearing Lieut.-Col. Lester, Chief of Staff of Gen. Dix, arrived last night from City Point, on the James River. Col. Lubsow held renewed negotiations with Major Ould, rebel Commissioner, with regard to the exchange of officers and citizens still held by the rebel Government, in defiance of the cartel. Capt. J. E. Mulraney left this morning for City Point in the steamer New-York, to bring down the remaining captured privates of the Murfreesboro fight, including perhaps citizen prisoners, whom the Confederates have agreed to discharge. The question of officers given taken before the 15th January, still remains in abeyance, but will soon be arranged. Increasing opposition is being manifested in the rebel Congress to Davis' decree in the Proclamation of 12th January, delivering to Governors of States all officers captured after that period. By a large vote the question has been referred to the Judiciary Committee.

It was reported last night at Suffolk that Pryor and his troops have returned to precisely the same spot from which our troops dislodged them on Friday. There is no truth in the telegraphic report from Washington, in the papers of yesterday, that Gen. Peck had been told in an interview with Pryor, that we had gained a victory at Savannah. Gen. Peck has not met Pryor, nor has he received any communication from him to that effect. N.

Elections at Binghamton.

BINGHAMTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

At the charter election here, to-day, Frederick Lewis, Union, was chosen President of the village, by 137 majority. Three Union and three Democratic Trustees were also elected.

IMPORTANT FROM ALBANY.

Ex-Governor Morgan Elected U. S. Senator.

Gen. Dix Receives a Complimentary Nomination from the Assembly.

MR. CONNING THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1863.

The statute day for the election of the successor of Preston King in the United States Senate brings with it its high duties and excites of interest. The two parties having in caucus nominated Messrs. Morgan and Conkling respectively, the first proceeding on the part of each House is to make a nomination according to the forms of the statute. In the Assembly the evenly-balanced state of the two parties, and the understanding that Speaker Littlejohn will vote for neither of the gentlemen placed in nomination, but for Gen. John A. Dix—and the crowning fact that without his vote neither of the gentlemen nominated can obtain a majority of a full House—leads to the morning hour extraordinary interest—not to say suspense.

The hour of 12 M. being the time fixed when the House shall proceed to make a nomination, and the regular order of business having been gone through with nearly half an hour prior to that time, the House waits.

One minute before 12, Mr. T. C. Fields moves the call of the roll, and the Clerk proceeds to call. I will not say that the object was to have the hour of 12 go by without the special order being announced by the Speaker; be that as it may, while the roll was being read the Speaker arrested the proceeding and announced the special order pertinently at 12 o'clock.

The order of proceeding is that as the roll is called each member shall rise in his place, and openly announce his candidate. The roll-call proceeds, and the names of Messrs. Morgan and Conkling are given till the name of Mr. Hunter, of Kings, is reached, when that gentleman names Mr. Wood. The Speaker's name being called, he votes for John A. Dix. The result was—

For E. D. Morgan.....64 | For Fernando Wood.....1
For Erastus Corning.....62 | For John A. Dix.....1

No choice having been effected, Mr. Dean moves to adjourn, on the ground that the special order had been executed. The Speaker rules the motion out of order, and that the special order must either be postponed by a two-thirds vote, or the day consumed under it. This being the strictest rule of proceeding, Mr. Dean does not press his motion to a vote or appeal.

At this stage of proceeding a Committee on the part of the Senate appears at the bar of the House and announces that that body having made a nomination, were ready to meet the Assembly in joint ballot.

The calling of the roll proceeds a second time, when all the Union members vote for Mr. John A. Dix—the preference of the Speaker—this being the only way to effect the necessary nomination preliminary to the meeting of the House in joint ballot. The vote stood:

For John A. Dix.....65
For Erastus Corning.....62

John A. Dix was declared to have the nomination on the part of the Assembly, when Mr. Ransom offers a resolution for a Committee to inform the Senate of the fact.

At this point Mr. Dean moves to adjourn, and the Speaker declares the motion out of order. From this Mr. Dean appeals, and demands the Yeas and Nays. The decision of the Chair is sustained as the judgment of the House. Yeas, 65; Nays, 34.

The question now recurs on Mr. Ransom's resolution.

Mr. T. C. Fields moved to lay it on the table, but is voted down largely. The object of the Democrats being to consume time, Mr. Dean demands the previous question, and the call is sustained. Mr. Dean places the very last pebble under the wheels of fate by demanding the ayes and nays, when Mr. Ransom's resolution is adopted—ayes 65, nays 37.

Mr. T. C. Fields now moves to postpone the special order till to-morrow morning, but there is no use—the House refused 66 to 36.

The Committee having waited on the Senate returned that they had performed that duty, when Mr. T. C. Fields wants to know what the Senate said. Mr. Ransom suggests that the Senate will soon appear and answer for itself.

And the next moment the Senate appears in the Assembly Chamber, the members rising as they enter, and Lieut.-Gov. Jones taking his place in the Speaker's desk. The formalities such are made and proceeded to goes through with, when it appearing that the Senate had named E. D. Morgan and the Assembly Erastus Corning, the Joint Convention proceeded to a joint ballot.

On the ballot being counted the result was declared to be—

For E. D. Morgan.....66 | For John A. Dix.....1
For Erastus Corning.....61 | For Dan'l S. Dickinson.....1

Whereupon Lieut.-Gov. Jones declared that Edwin D. Morgan, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is duly elected Senator of the United States from this State for six years from the 4th of March, to succeed Preston King, whose term of office will then expire.

The Senate then retires in the order they enter, and the curtain falls on the scene, while the booming of cannon in the immediate neighborhood shakes the Capitol.

It partly rises again. It having been ascertained that the number of votes for Mr. Conkling having been announced at 62, when the number was 79, Mr. Ransom and Mr. Wakeman are appointed a Committee to wait on the Senate for the purpose of having the error corrected.

And then the curtain goes down finally, the lights are put out, and the audience withdraws—in other words the House adjourns.

The success of Gov. Morgan, as the result of the short and animated caucuses for the United States Senatorship, entails no great disappointment, even on those most devoted to rival candidates. As between what, by popular terms, are designated conservatives and radicals, Gov. Morgan probably can with justice be counted nowhere else than with the former. His course while Governor of the State was in some respects quite at variance with that of the Executives of some of the other States, on questions of grave national import; and though not extreme either way, his opinions be ascertain, and the course he will pursue, may without doubt, and with no injustice, be styled "conservative," as that word has come to be understood and applied.

The significance of such a choice at this time, and under the peculiar circumstances surrounding the election, will readily be detected by every intelligent reader. Taken as an indication of the tone of popular sentiment in the State, and especially in the Republican party, Gov. Morgan's election is, perhaps, not the least remarkable event of the times. Nor was there wanting noticeable features in the vote opposed to him, indicating, as it did, the inability of those designated as "radicals" to concentrate on any one candidate. That concentration of strength appears to have been divided mainly between Preston King and Daniel S. Dickinson, though Mr. D. D. Field, generally regarded as more peculiarly representing that sentiment, received the lowest number of votes of any real candidate. Nevertheless, I believe I may say that had the choice fallen on either of the other gentlemen voted for, the selection would have been as readily acquiesced in. The canvas, though not without spirit, was singularly free from asperity of feeling.

The Democratic minority were not happy. The supporters and followers of Fernando Wood were frustrated in their purpose of making him the caucus nominee. That piece of machinery was smashed by the Central Regency here. As I intimated at an early day would be the case, the Democratic members from the rural districts utterly refused to be chained to the car of Fernando, in this they were sustained by the Regency, seconded by John Van Buren and others from the City. Ransom, Cagger & Co., though thankful—that is, thankful as they could be for the 20,000 majority in the City last Fall, were not sufficiently grateful to confer on Mr. Wood the nomination in caucus, therefor. Mr. Wood could command but twenty votes from his own City and Brooklyn, but not a man outside. Nor did the Regency feel disposed to dispute matters or attempt to cover up their tracks; and therefore in the execution of their purpose, they took Mr. Conkling, whose selection, above any other man, has an intentional significance.

In truth, this hit at Wood is the chief feature of the senatorial caucus. It was done with peculiar relish, and leaves a sting that will long be felt.

The election of Senator being over, the way for legislation is clear and straight. Few questions of legislation will challenge as much interest as that of bounties to volunteers. It is understood that the Senate will perfect a general law applicable to all parts of the State, and with that view in the House, all petitions on that subject will go to the Judiciary Committee.

New-York City, always truthful in matters for legislation, bids fair to be not less so at this session; and among them, sundry railroad projects will be particularly prominent.

Speaking of horse railways, that for which Mr. Fenton, of Chenango, has given notice of a bill for one from Norwich to Binghamton, on the main track of the Chenango Canal, is not the least important of this description of enterprises. Of the practicability of such a road over the route indicated, there can be no doubt; the great value it would be to that region of the State is equally apparent, and its construction would be but the commencement of a system of horse railways between important points and through populous rural sections of the State.

The city is very full of strangers. Among the arrivals at the Delevan House during the last twenty-four hours, are the following:

Maj.-Gen. Pope, family and staff; Hon. Fernando Wood, Hon. H. J. Raymond, Hon. Horace Greeley, Hon. Dean Richmond, Hon. Ward Hunt, Hon. J. F. Cummings, Col. Geo. Bliss, Jr., Hon. R. A. Loveland, Hon. Wm. Curtis Noyes, Hon. N. Lapham, Hon. W. I. Skinner, Hon. W. W. Wright, Hon. F. A. Alberger, Hon. Austin Myers, Hon. James M. Cook, Hon. Isaac Blood, Gen. Eikhof, Hon. W. H. Perry, Hon. C. L. Benedict, Hon. J. Wood, Hon. Theodore Miller, Hon. E. McMullen and family, Hon. John Stryker, Hon. E. E. Norton, Judge Van Cott, Hon. John Jay, Hon. Waldo Hutchings, Gen. C. A. Arthur, Hon. Henry B. Stanton.

SODERICK.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 2.

On the first ballot in the Senate, this forenoon, Governor Morgan was nominated for United States Senator in place of Preston King.

The President appointed Messrs. Woodworth, Baker and Ransom a Committee on behalf of the Senate, to provide a hospital and an asylum for wounded and disabled New-York volunteers.

Mr. Cornell, on behalf of the minority of the Select Committee, who were appointed to wait upon Gov. Seward, relative to the disturbances in the Assembly, reported in favor of sustaining the position of the Governor upon that subject.

Mr. Tallman offered a resolution declaring that as the Senate were about to enter upon a ballot for a United States Senator, the Senate assert their approval of the Emancipation Proclamation of President Lincoln as the best means of crushing out the rebellion, and that the Senate also declare the proclamation justified by events, demanded by military necessity, authorized by the Constitution, and that it will command the approval of the civilized world.

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Motion lost by ayes 5, nays 21.

Mr. Tallman moved that the resolution be made the special order for Thursday evening next.

Motion lost.

Mr. Ransom moved to make the resolution the special order for to-morrow.

Pending a vote on this motion, the Senate proceeded to nominate a candidate for United States Senator, the hour of 12 having arrived.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Morgan.....22
Conkling.....7

Messrs. Bell and Fraser were appointed a committee to wait on the Assembly and inform them the Senate were ready to go into a joint session.

After the nomination of Mr. Morgan the Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The first ballot for United States Senator resulted as follows:

Morgan.....64 | Fernando Wood.....1
Corning.....62 | John A. Dix.....1

No choice.

After the first ballot, Mr. Dean moved the House adjourn.

The Speaker ruled that no motion to adjourn was in order, the House having made a special order.

Mr. Dean asked if the Speaker held the House could never adjourn until the special order was finished. Were they to remain in session six weeks. The ruling was evidently wrong, but he should not now appeal from his (Gallagher's) decision.

A second ballot was then taken.

All the Republicans changed their vote to John A. Dix, Speaker Gallagher voting with them to nominate him.

The second ballot resulted as follows:

John A. Dix.....65
Erastus Corning.....62

Mr. Dix was then declared nominated.

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Speaker Gallagher ruled the motion not in order.

Mr. Dean appealed from the decision of the Speaker, and read from the Manual to show that a motion to adjourn was always in order except in certain cases, of which this was not one.

The decision of Speaker Gallagher was sustained.

Mr. Sherman then presented a numerously signed petition in favor of an appropriation to improve the navigation of the Hudson River.

BILLS NOTICED.

By Mr. Tallman—To construct a railroad in the town of West Farms and Morrisania.

By Mr. Dean—To confer the power to grant new trials to the Marine Court.

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BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Beckwith—To require a more strict verification of the accounts of Sheriffs and other officers.

By Mr. Jamison—Concerning the Brooklyn and Central Junction Railroad Company.

By Mr. McCann—To incorporate the German-American School Society of the Nineteenth Ward, New-York.

Mr. Dean called up the resolutions in favor of a general bankrupt law for the Loyal States. He did not desire that Congress or the Legislature should vote for rebel-dom.

Mr. Van Buren—Does the gentleman (Cannon) recognize the Union as divided?

Mr. Ransom suggested that the difficulty could be settled by a "proclamation."

Mr. Fraser believed that the amendment of Mr. Cannon recognized a division of the Union.

Mr. Cannon did not press his amendment.

Mr. Thomas C. Fields presented a concurrent resolution to present Brig.-Gen. Thomas Francis Meagher with a sword, and each member of the Irish Brigade a silver medal, bearing the names of the various battles they have been engaged in.

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Twelve o'clock noon.—The Speaker announced that the hour for the special order, the election of a United States Senator, had arrived.

Messrs. Ransom and Dodge were then appointed a Committee on the part of the House to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House had made a nomination and were prepared to meet the Senate in joint session.

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The nominations were compared, the Senate having named Edwin D. Morgan for United States Senator and the Assembly Joan A. Dix.

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The following Tellers were appointed:

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The first ballot resulted in the election of Edwin D. Morgan as United States Senator.

The following is the vote:

Morgan.....66 | Dix.....1
Corning.....70 | Dickinson.....1

Lieut. Gov. Jones then declared that the Hon. Edwin D. Morgan was elected United States Senator for six years from 4th of March next.

The joint session dissolves, and the House adjourned.

The Adjourned Democratic Caucus.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The Democratic members of the Legislature held an adjourned caucus at the Court of Appeals room this morning.

Judge Dean's motion, to reconsider the vote declaring it inexpedient to nominate a candidate for United States Senator, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Cornell, the caucus then proceeded to an informal ballot, which resulted as follows:

Erastus Corning.....38 | Fernando Wood.....8
Scattering.....16

On motion of Mr. Cornell, seconded by Mr. Alexander Wade, who stated that Hon. Fernando Wood desired his name to be withdrawn as soon as the caucus should express a preference for some other Democrat, the nomination of Hon. Erastus Corning was made unanimous. Adjourned.

OUR CAIRO CORRESPONDENCE.

Further Arrivals of Paroled Prisoners—The One Hundred and Ninth Illinois—Gen. Buford in Command at Cairo—Cotton Coming—Arms and Munitions Sent Down the River, &c.

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The steamer Ad. Hine yesterday brought up another consignment of "paroled prisoners," some one hundred and fifty of the Second West Tennessee Cavalry, who were "surprised and captured" by the rebels at Trenton, Tenn., on the 20th of December last. These have been waiting transportation at Columbus for some time. It is a sad spectacle to witness these repeated arrivals of so-called "paroled prisoners." They come to our landing, many of them with downcast looks, all without guns, and evidently feeling the humiliation of their situation. Some are uncharitable enough to think that this is a new-found method of escaping from the hardships and perils of the campaign. The frequency of these occurrences certainly suggests that there is something unsound in Denmark. The free, sonable conduct of the ever infamous One Hundred and Ninth Illinois regiment, in deliberately planning a surrender to the enemy, with all their arms, and even going in search of the enemy for the purpose of inviting a pretended attack so that they might go over to the rebels, tag and baggage, has made the public reasonably suspicious of these captures by the enemy. Hereafter the Union regiment which permits itself to be "captured" will have to show a clear record, or suffer the reproach which attaches to cowardice or treason. This Hundred and Ninth Illinois regiment, so disgracefully and justly branded by order of Gen. Grant, is referred to as "forsaking traitors in the face of the enemy." Many were traitors, doubly dyed, before they entered the ranks, as the evidence proves. Many, nearly all of them, were known to be of that sneaking order known as "Knights of the Golden Circle," and no doubt took the Government arms, and joined the army with the deliberate purpose of going to the enemy at the first opportunity.

The conduct of Company K, of the same regiment, is in most honorable contrast to that of the major part of the regiment, and their record will be as noble as that of the others is infamous for all time. Their Lieutenant-Colonel, Wheeler, it will be remembered, deserted to the enemy some time before these expatriates took place, by way of setting an example to his regiment.

The convalescent troops from below arrive here almost daily. It must take a large number to make good these constant drains upon the ranks.

Gen. N. B. Buford has been appointed to the command of this Department. He has been nominated to a Major-Generalship. Brig.-Gen. Turrin, who now has command here, it is understood, cheerfully acquiesces in the arrangement, which will place him subordinate to the General, who will have a wider field for his operations.

There are many abuses here which require looking into. Among other things, the citizens of this submerged city in embryo, complain that the military authorities, or Provost-Marshal, monopolize all the resources of the town, such as licenses for public houses, &c., leaving them nothing for improvements, repairs of streets, and other municipal wants. They have sent a committee to the Legislature asking for examination and redress of grievances. They will no doubt find many ready sympathizers among the copper-heads, but it is difficult to see how they can apply a remedy. Mr. Dunn has undertaken the case in the Legislature.

Gen. Dunn has not as yet assumed command here, and his Staff is not organized.

The favorite steamer, John D. Perry arrived from Memphis to-day in 36 hours. She brings a small consignment of cotton, some sick and discharged soldiers, and two or three poor white families, taken on board near Island No. 26. The latter have a large variety of bareheaded children, their dozen hats flying in the wind, and the clothing—if the miserable tow cloth with which they are covered can be dignified as such—of both parents and children bespeaking the most squalid wretchedness and poverty. One of the fathers of this numerous family stated that he had been waiting for over two weeks for a boat to make a landing near his place, so that he could get away from the horrors and starvation of his position. They are moving into a free State, where labor is honorable, and where poverty does not identify them with the enslaved negro.

Nothing can exceed the desolation which now reigns along the Mississippi below Cairo. Whatever moves on the river comes up; nothing of any consequence goes down except munitions of war. The Memphis boats now land only at Columbus, Hickman and Fort Pillow, while between here and St. Louis all is prosperous. The boats land at a great many places. The boats are generally of a very superior character.

The gunboat Lexington came down from the Cumberland River during the night, where she had been to convoy steamers carrying cases to Gen. Rosecrans. She left again this forenoon.

The steamer New National has come down from St. Louis, deeply loaded with naval supplies for the fleet. A very timely arrival.

Some two hundred sailors and marines from New-York arrived here yesterday. The most of them will be transferred to the gunboat Lafayette, which is lying here, her iron and other work completed, preparatory to a start down the river. Heavy guns and other ordnance stores, in considerable quantities, are going on board steamers for the fleet below. DE SOTO.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

Important Debate in the Senate on the Course of the French in Mexico.

The Cases of the New-Orleans Representatives Reported Favorably Upon.

REPETITION OF THE BANKRUPT BILL.

The Proposed Submarine Telegraph to New-Orleans.

SENATE.

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A communication was received from the Secretary of the Navy, in relation to the appointment of midshipmen, explaining that it was done in accordance with the construction of the act of Congress by the Attorney General.

Mr. BURNS, of Massachusetts, (Rep.) presented a petition from the widow of the late Rev. Augustus B. FOSTER, Chaplain of the Sixteenth Massachusetts Regiment, asking for a pension.

Mr. HARRIS, of New-York, (Rep.) presented a memorial from the Inspectors in the Custom-house of New-York, relative to compensation; also, a memorial from the importers of saltpetre and sulphur, and the manufacturers of gunpowder, asking for a modification of the tariff on those articles; also, the petition of about one thousand discharged volunteers, asking for the one hundred dollars bounty promised them; and also, a petition in favor of a bankrupt law.

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The bill, heretofore reported, to establish a national currency, secured by United States stocks, was postponed one week—Yeas, 58; Nays, not noted.

Mr. FESSENDEN, of Maine, (Rep.,) called up the bill providing a Deputy Register of the Treasury Department. It was amended so as to provide for an Assistant instead of a Deputy Register, at a salary of $2,500; and also to provide for a Solicitor of the War Department, at a salary of $2,000. Passed.

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Mr. McDOUGALL, of California, (Dem.,) moved to take up the resolutions, offered by him, relative to the French operations in Mexico. They are as follows:

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Mr. WARD moved to lay the subject on the table.

Motion lost, by yeas 64, nays 60.

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Mr. OLIN's motion was agreed to by yeas, 91; nays, 55.

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Mr. OLIN caused a letter to be read, from the Secretary of War, in which he says the distance is 2,500 nautical miles; that a responsible English firm are willing to undertake the contract and guarantee success, on the payment of two hundred pounds sterling; that all the Departments of the Government attach great importance to the work; that the work should be put under immediate contract, and that the work can be finished in four months.

Mr. OLIN, in answer to an inquiry from Mr. ELIJAH WARD, of New-York, said that it was proposed to give the Secretary of War power to enter into a contract with any persons who can most expeditiously execute the work.

Mr. WARD, of New-York, (Rep.,) preferred that some American should undertake the work. He understood that telegraph cables could be made in the United States as good as they could in England. The work should be open to competition.

Mr. OLIN said that if the line had been in operation a month ago, the Government would have saved four times its cost.

Mr. WARD moved to lay the subject on the table.

Motion lost, by yeas 64, nays 60.

Pending the question on the passage of the bill, the House adjourned.

[illegible] to hold Richmond [illegible] and if [illegible] we should be [illegible] victorious.

The manner in which we have been very active in supplying the wants of our [illegible] armies. Services have been held with regularity and [illegible] countenanced in and about the City. [illegible] through their instrumentality thousands [illegible] religious meeting have been circulated. They have also supplied watchers for the Fifty-first-street and Bellevue Hospitals. The labors of the watchers, although arduous, have been appreciated, and the officers of the institution where their services have been accepted, join in testifying to the benefits conferred by them. Many a sick soldier has, with tears in his eyes, thanked the watcher, [illegible]

During the months of February, March and April, a discourse or lecture is to be delivered at the rooms of the Association by Rev. Messrs. TYNG, NEWMAN HALL, DEXTER and others. Geo. W. CURTIS, Esq., will deliver the first lecture on Wednesday evening, Feb. 4, subject—"Sir Francis Sussex, or the Gentleman." The mention of these names should secure a good attendance.

As the sight of a fragrant cake in the desert proceeds to the weary traveler comfort, consolation and hope, so from this Association present to the young in our midst a pure fountain where the living waters of truth and morality ceaselessly flow and water every heart. To parents far away, it is a comfort to know that the loved ones are cared for by the disciples of Christ.

Anniversary of the Woman's Hospital Association.

The anniversary of this Woman's Hospital Association was held at the institution, No. 52 Madison-avenue, Saturday morning, Jan. 31, 1863, New-York. Rev. Dr. TYSON read a selection from the Chapter of Matthew from 21st verse, and made a prayer. Dr. MARSALLS, President of the Medical Board, spoke of the present condition of the hospital, and of the benefits that had been bestowed on humanity by the establishment of this institution. The operations necessary for curing and relieving those applying at this place are such as the surgeon, or physician, in general practice, cannot successfully perform. To attain the requisite dexterity or knowledge, it is important that great numbers of cases should be seen, and carefully studied; and this is only possible in an establishment like the Woman's Hospital. So high is the reputation acquired by Dr. SIMS, the former surgeon in charge, that in France, where operations are acknowledged as second to none in the world, the opinion and assistance of Dr. SIMS are eagerly sought by the most eminent men of the profession, in cases presenting unusual difficulties or danger. Since the formation of our hospital many have been restored to health that were considered incurable. The last year over 400 out-door patients received medical and surgical aid gratuitously, besides the free list in the institution. Fifty are attended to each week, from whose homes they could not be spared to remain in the hospital. Each country in the State are entitled to a free patient, and that all may exert individual effort for the better support of the present hospital, and enable the building to be erected for enlarged benevolence and better accommodation. Dr. THOMAS ADDIS EMMET has the charge of the hospital. Many will gratefully remember his kindness and skill in restoring them to health. He has been associated with the institution almost from its commencement.

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The Navy-Yard.

The election of Mr. FARRON to the Comptrollership of the City of Brooklyn left vacant the office of Master Machinist at the Brooklyn Navy-yard. Several local engineers were examined to fill his place, but no one answered all the requirements. Mr. CONSEWELL, a gentleman who had filled a similar situation at Key West, was sent here, and has entered on his duties. Mr. FARRON was a Democrat, Mr. CONSEWELL is a Republican. There are about 400 Democrats and 40 Republicans in his department. He is said to have no idea of appointing the partisan. The following document will explain the rest of the business:

SIR: This letter is sent to you, who are workmen in the Navy-yard. If you believe in loyalty to your country, [illegible] Yesterday the abolition hose commenced its crusade against operatives for party purposes. The Government for which we work well and hard has entrusted the whole nation to find an abolition master mechanic. Better mechanics by far than he is were examined, but their political principles did not suit Mr. LINCOLN. And all New-York State could not find a man who fully meets the leading merit necessary to party. Massachusetts bears the name, and CONSEWELL is his name. He tried to discharge 100 men last week, but the Acting Commandant could not consent to such a step in Admiral FARRAGUT's absence. When that officer returns, the abolition tyrant, who has no thought for the families who he may visit with desolation in cold Winter, will make his attempt. We have no hope from Admiral FARRAGUT, because if he interposed for us, Secretary WELLES would come to the rescue. Now, we want you to lay down your tools the day the first large discharge is made. If you should consult with the orders of Mr. CONSEWELL, who intends to begin by discharging a batch of Democrats at a time, until all are gone. If all hands refuse to work, at once inquiries will be made, the Press will toss behind the scenes, and the villainies contemplated may be exposed. In union there is strength. Remember all the Republicans which gang hack cause to bless your pale cheer.

YOUR FELLOW WORKMAN.

This document is in type and has been sent to a few mechanics and laborers, with the remark that it will be sent to all. Our reporter called on Mr. CONSEWELL in relation to it. He said he meant to discharge some persons, for whom he had no work, as there were as many names on the roll now as when 18 ships were undergoing repairs. While denying that he meant to discharge any one for mere party motives, he had no hesitation in saying that the Republicans ought to have a chance now as the Democrats have "rolled the roost" for a long time. There is an impression abroad that trouble will grow out of the affair, and it is said that the matter will be laid before the Members of Congress for Kings County.

The Democratic League.

There is an association in this City composed of prominent members of the Democratic Party, who are making a bold stand against the demoralizing influence of the worse adventurers, and who are doing all in their power to favor the right men among many interesting people here at the North. They maintain that this rebellion had its origin exclusively in a base conspiratorial project of perpetuating Slavery by subjugating a Government of majorities at the South, thus prostrating the democratic principle in Southern politics. Among the Executive Committee are Thos. EWLAND, HENRY O'REILLY, CHARLES T. KIRKLAND and Lorenzo BARROWS, for many years a resident of Texas, whose speech, delivered at Champlain, in this State, last October, was a thorough exposition of the motives which inaugurated our present troubles; and coming from one so long associated with Southern people and politics, gives assurances of the existence of a class there who are favorably disposed toward the maintenance of the Union.

Meeting of the Tammany Society.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED REFERRING THE LOSS OF EX-MAYOR MICKLE.

On Monday evening the Tammany Society held its regular monthly meeting at Tammany Hall. After reading the minutes of the previous meeting the usual [illegible] relative to the death, and subsequent [illegible] of Ex-Mayor MICKLE, a former Sachem, were presented and unanimously adopted.

Whereas it has pleased the Great Disposer of all events to remove from the scenes of his earthly employments our Brother and former Sachem, ANDREW H. MICKLE, who had endeared himself to the members of this Society by his worth of character, kindness of heart, and firmness of purpose; his conduct, whether in the pursuit of business, in the private walks of life, or in the responsible and responsible public station of Chief Magistrate of our City, was marked and alone by the strictest integrity, and equally animated by the most devoted and enlightened zeal in everything conducive to the public welfare;

Resolved, That the Tammany Society or Columbian Order deplores with most sincere and heartfelt sorrow the loss of a brother tried to me by the strictest ties of friendship, whose voice at our councils was always listened to with respect, who was friends by his kind and [illegible] manner, and whose [illegible] by his [illegible] conduct, ever candid and open, was but the reflection of honorable motives and enlightened of purpose, whose firmness was tempered with gentleness and good will to all, and whose career of Mayor of our City has marked him as a composer of the worthiest who have adorned that position; and that while thus expressive our sentiments, [illegible]

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of sorrow at our loss, we deeply condole with the family of the deceased for the irreparable deprivation which they have sustained.

Resolved, That the banners of this Society be draped in mourning for the space of six months.

Resolved, That the members of this Society will wear the usual badge of mourning for the space of thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings, duly authenticated by the proper officers of this Society, be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

The Society then adjourned.

Prize Fight in Prospect.

MATCH FOR $1,000 BETWEEN JOE COBURN AND A STRANGER FROM THE WEST.

One would think all the superfluous pugnacity in the country might find vent in Kansas, on which the existence of the country is staked; but there seems to be enough private enterprise left to keep the American branch of that famous British institution, the Prize Ring, from falling into decay. It seems there has lately been quite a pugilistic revival in England—greatly to the advantage, no doubt, of the British Constitution, whereof the Manly Art is popularly supposed to be one of the stanchest bulwarks. Some touches of the enthusiasm created by this revival have found their way across the Atlantic, and a sympathetic excitement in sporting circles here is the natural consequence. Various fistic heroes of comparatively small renown have for some time been coquetting with each other, and a few of them still jealously claim to be "in training," but the public taste of late set in the sporting world was, until a week or two ago, the possibility of another contest wherein the invincible JOHN HEENAN should take part. HEENAN, however, declines active operations for the present, and, instead, seeks to back a stalwart gladiator, whose name has not yet been ranged, against the English Champion, Jem Mace.

This unknown Aspirant is the subject of animated conjecture. The latest report about him was by a usually well-posted sporting paper of this City, to the effect that his name is McCOOL; that he has been the mate of a Mississippi steamboat, and that his qualifications for his new profession are [illegible] and strength, endurance, pluck and confidence, and considerable experience in the enjoyment of promiscuous rough-and-tumbles. The sporting paper in question hinted that McCOOL was in England, or on his way there; but this was a mistake; he is in New-York, and his friends have just made arrangements for giving him a trial somewhere nearer home, and with a non-professional amateur, before staking his yet unproved laurels against the premier boxers of Christendom. This amateur is the celebrated Joe COBURN, who, though less formidable than MACE, is by no means an opponent to be underrated. COBURN once fought with Nat. PAGE for nearly four hours, and has the reputation of being one of the half-dozen best boxers of the day. He is a finely-made young fellow, five feet eleven inches in height, and weighing, when in condition, about one hundred and fifty-four pounds. COBURN is considered by Hawling members of the Ring as one of the [illegible] MACE, McCOOL is a twenty-fourth, standing six feet two inches in his socks, and of proportionate muscular development. He has never made a public exhibition of himself, but his admirers say he has all the natural qualifications needful to render him a bright and shining ornament of the P. R.

The articles for the match, which were signed yesterday, bind the men to meet within the roped ring of a specified day in early summer, there to pound each other for $1,000 a side, and so much honor the victory will bring the winner. The contest is announced to come off in Canada. So far as the attempt to enforce the Queen's proclamation against the fight will not be violated; yet it is a transparent fiction of law to leave the State to engage in a prize fight by land, and parties to an affair of the kind may be punishable either when trying to leave with illegal intent, or on their return after consummating their object. Prize fights are in every way brutal and demoralizing. They do good whatever, but foster the worst spirit of rowdyism. Still there is a large class of people who take an interest in them. Let these people gratify their perverted tastes if they can, but they should be held to a strict account for the baleful influence of any means which makes that gratification criminal.

The Sale of Tickets Stopped on the Brooklyn Ferries.

The Union Ferry Company, owning and controlling the ferries between this City and Brooklyn, have stopped the sale of tickets to regular passengers, so that now every person coming had to pay five cents. When tickets were sold, they could be had at the rate of one cent and a half per ticket, if bought in twenty-five cent packages, which was a saving of half a cent on the cost of a passage—an object to a very large number of girls and boys who are employed in this City, but reside in Brooklyn. There are a number of rumors as to the cause of the change. Once that the tickets in use had been known to have been the medium for the spreading of contagious disease. Another is that, having a clip in the pay of tickets, the regular passengers had been buying them up, until the Company saw has gone millions, and stopped the sale on that account. Whatever the cause may be, the fact remains that, for the present, those who have been accustomed to buy tickets will have to pay two cents every time they cross.

A Suggestion.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In the article on Bellevue Hospital, in your paper of Sunday, we are told that the stone on which stood WASHINGTON when he took the oath of office and delivered his inaugural address, "is to bear the following inscription:"

Standing on this stone
The oath of office was administered
to
GEORGE WASHINGTON
by
CHANCELLOR LIVINGSTON,
When inaugurated
First President of the United States,
April 30, 1789.
&c., &c.

Thus arranged, the epigraph would tell us that the "stone" stood on the place where the "Chancellor" was inaugurated President of the United States.

As, happily, the inscription is yet an affair of the future, I would beg to suggest that the "stone," it would consist of the simplest rules of perspectivity, may not be permitted to disparage the good judgment of the Commissioners, and stand as an example of American architecture for the eyes of visiting Englishmen. It may be made this to read:

On this stone Geo. Washington, [illegible] President of the United States, [illegible]

But perhaps the designed inscription had better be entirely rewritten.

Court of General Sessions.

In this Court, yesterday, John Jones, a native of Ohio, 20 years of age, tailor by trade, pleaded guilty to an attempt at burglary in the third degree, and was sentenced to the State Prison for two years and six months. Frederick Ash and Thomas McCabe pleaded guilty to petit larceny, and were sentenced to the Penitentiary six months each. Maria Sinker and Margaret Hanna, jointly indicted for petit larceny, pleaded guilty, and were sentenced to the Penitentiary four months each. James Hyde, indicted for grand larceny, pleaded guilty to petit larceny, and was sentenced for six months. Abraham Davis pleaded guilty to assault and battery upon Mary Eliza Bassett, and was sentenced for sentence. Alexander S. Hamilton pleaded guilty to the assault upon his wife Johanna, and was sentenced for sentence. James Kelly was tried for larceny from the person, and acquitted.

The Court adjourned to this morning at 11 o'clock.

ARRIVAL OF THE CREW OF THE REBEL STEAMER HETTERAS.—The crew of the rebel steamer HETTERAS, which ran the blockade from Charleston, a few days ago, with a cargo of cotton, and was burnt a few miles out of the harbor, and her crew picked up by the Quaker City, arrived here yesterday. There are all foreigners except one. E. J. BLAKE, the 2d mate, (Scotch;) ROBERT SPANGLER, (colored;) WM. H. BAKER, Paymaster, (Virginian;) and Wm. JOHNSON, pilot, (Dane,) were detained by the United States Marshal by order of the Secretary of the Navy, and the rest were discharged.

MR. DE CONCOVA AT TOKEENS.—Mr. DE CONCOVA, the great American humorist, will deliver his celebrated humorous lecture on "Courtship and Marriage," at the Gotty Lyceum, Yonkers, this evening.

NEW-JERSEY.

NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.—Yesterday, in the Assembly, THOMAS DUNN ENGLISH, of Bergen, introduced resolutions, protesting against the appropriation by Congress of $10,000,000 to emancipate slaves in Missouri, and declaring that the people of New-Jersey will never submit to taxation for such purpose. The resolutions were referred to the inevitable Committee on National Relations, who will have a pretty mass to report upon by and bye. A bill will be presented to the Legislature for the incorporation of a company at Newark to be called the Essex Mills, for the manufacture of cotton, wool, silk, and other fibrous materials, with a capital of $250,000. Promin-

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PAYMENT OF SOLDIERS.—Paymaster Mr. MARROW L. WARD received $18,000 from the First, and $14,000 from the Second New-Jersey Regiment, for distribution to the families of the soldiers. These are added make the sum remitted during the past month from the New-Jersey Regiments over $100,000, all of which has been promptly paid over. Two thousand dollars has also been sent forward from Beaufort Battery.

A JOKE.—Some weeks ago, "Anne Dunton," a well known correspondent of the Newark Daily Advertiser, published in that paper a burlesque life of Stonewall Jackson. This burlesque, it is stated, was reproduced in pamphlet form in New-Orleans, being eagerly purchased by the "secesh," who deemed it a veritable life of Jackson. It was kindly appreciated by Gen. BANKS.

MORRIS AND ESSEX RAILROAD REVENUE.—At a meeting of the Directors of the above Company, held on Monday, it was resolved to present at once with the extension of the line to the Delaware River. This step will be a most important one in the history of New-Jersey railroad improvements.

UNITED STATES HOSPITAL, NEWARK.—Yesterday 100 patients, who are permanently disabled from duty, were discharged from the service of the United States.

EASTON COUNTY COURT.—The criminal calendar has been finished, and the prisoners will be sentenced this morning at 10 o'clock.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendars—This Day.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.—Nos. 1, 26, 27, 28, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71,

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NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4, 1863.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—THE SICILIAN VESPERS.

WINTER GARDEN—THE ADVOCATE'S LAST CAUSE—ONE TOUCH OF NATURE—THE FRENCH SPY.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—THE PET OF THE PETTICOATS.

WALLACK'S—ROAD TO RUIN.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—MISS LAVINIA WARREN, the Queen of Beauty, Com. Nutt, &c., at all hours—THERESA'S VOW; OR, THE CROSS OF GOLD, morning, afternoon and evening.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—LEAH, THE FORSAKEN.

STUYVESANT INSTITUTE—(No. 659 Broadway) BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS.

NEW HALL OF ART, No. 652 Broadway—BANVARD'S PANORAMA OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND THE WAR.

COOPER INSTITUTE—LAUGHING GAS.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

Col. WYNDHAM, with a detachment of his cavalry, has made a reconnoissance to Warrenton, Va., and beyond. He surprised the town on Monday night, and while there sent strong patrols to the Rappahannock and Sulphur Springs, which discovered no enemy.

Advices from Key West are to the 29th ult. Our correspondent gives particulars of the capture of the British steamer *Pearl* and the rebel steamer *Virginia*, the latter on the coast of Mexico, with a valuable cargo of wines, coffee, &c. Some thirty prizes are now in the harbor awaiting adjudication. The Admiralty Court is very much behind. The ship *Sparkling Sea* has proved a total wreck, only twelve out of the eighty horses belonging to the Twenty-fifth New-York Battery having been saved.

Two days later advices from New-Orleans are received by the arrival at this port of the steamer *George Washington*. The only item of importance is the report that the *Alabama* had been off the Southwest Pass, and had taken a pilot from one of the pilot-boats. The steam frigate *Mississippi* was at anchor there, on the lookout for her.

Col. STEWART, Chief of Cavalry on Gen. McCLERNAND's Staff, lately shot by the rebels opposite Vicksburgh, had upon his person when he must have fallen into the hands of the enemy, a memorandum-book containing full estimates of the numbers and calibre of the forces and guns of SHERMAN and McCLERNAND, their available character, their artillery, and everything the enemy should not know, and even the projects respecting the canal, upon which work has been recommenced. At last accounts the water was moving through the canal two to four feet deep, being deepest at the lower extremity. Being dug *through stiff blue clay, with slanting sides, there* were no signs of its widening. River men think it will be of no practical value. Military engineers do not coincide, and were continuing operations.

Gen. BURNSIDE has issued orders forbidding the issue of passes to civilians to travel south of Louisville, and the fact is naturally taken as indicative of an intention on his part to renew active operations at an early day. Large reinforcements are continually arriving at Louisville, and being dispatched South. Trains are running on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad thirty miles below the former city, and the entire line will be repaired within the coming week.

There are upward of 2,000 rebel wounded at Murfreesboro. Our own wounded there number 2,000.

An examination of the fortifications and defences of New-York Harbor was made yesterday by Gen. WOOL, who was accompanied by his Staff, Gens. ULLMAN and STORES, and Col. DELAFIELD, Chief Engineer of the works. The party left Whitehall-slip at 10 A. M., and after making a satisfactory inspection of the works along the Narrows, returned to the City, arriving at the slip at 5 P. M.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, after the presentation of numerous petitions, and the transaction of some business of minor importance, the Post-office Appropriation bill was reported back from the Finance Committee, and passed. The bill to provide a National currency, secured by United States stocks, was postponed for a week. A bill was passed providing for an Assistant Register of the Treasury Department, and a Solicitor for the War Department. A bill to provide for stopping the pay of disemployed military officers was referred to the Military Committee. Mr. McDOUGALL's resolutions regarding the operations of the French in Mexico were taken up, after some opposition from Mr. SUMNER, and Mr. McDOUGALL proceeded to give his views relative to the matter at length. When he had concluded, Mr. SUMNER made a motion to lay the resolutions on the table, pending which the Senate went into Executive session, and subsequently adjourned.

In the House, a favorable report was made by the Committee on Elections in the cases of the gentlemen elected from New-Orleans. The matter was laid over for further consideration. The Bankrupt bill was laid on the table 62 to 61. A motion to reconsider failed—as the bill was rejected. The bill to appoint an Assistant Collector for the Port of New-York was passed. The resolutions from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, declaratory of Maritime Rights, were postponed until the 23d Monday in this month. The bill authorizing the President to appoint a Paymaster-General was rejected—70 to 61. The Michigan and Illinois and New-York Canal bill was reported from the Military Committee, but on the objection being made that it obtained an appropriation, and should, therefore, go to the Committee of the Whole, it was recommitted to the Military Committee. The bill authorizing the construction of a submarine telegraph along the coast to New-Orleans was reported from the Military Committee. A motion to lay it on the table failed, and, pending the question of its passage, the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, yesterday, the first business was the nomination of a candidate for United States Senator. Ex-Gov. MORGAN received the nomination on the first ballot. Nothing else of importance was done.

In the Assembly, the first ballot for Senator resulted in no choice—MORGAN receiving 64 votes, CORNING 62, FERNANDO WOOD 1, and Gen. DIX 1. On the second ballot, a complimentary nomination was given to Gen. DIX, he receiving 65 votes. At 12 o'clock the joint session was held, and the first ballot resulted in the choice of Ex-Gov. MORGAN—he receiving 86 votes, CORNING 70, DIX 1, and DOUGLAS 1. When the joint session dissolved the Assembly adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Ordination of Rev. ROBERT A. QUINN, late Chaplain of the Sailors' Snug Harbor, Staten Island, who was killed on the 31st ult. by BUSHWAW BROWN, one of the inmates of the institution, took place in the "Harbor" Chapel yesterday afternoon. Rev. W. W. PHILLIPS, of the First (Fifth-avenue) Presbyterian Church, preached the funeral sermon. The inmates of the "Harbor" were deeply affected on parting forever with their old friend and pastor. The remains will be taken to Hyde Park for interment at 10 A. M. to-day.

The Board of Supervisors met at 3 o'clock P. M., yesterday. Three veto messages were received from the Mayor; one on the resolution to pay $192 for revenue stamps used in the Courts last year, because no provision was made to reimburse the County. The Mayor thinks the expense of the stamps should be upon the litigants, which was the view expressed in the committee's report, in favor of paying the bill. The second veto was on the resolution to appropriate $4,600 for the Twenty-second Regiment, and $7,500 for the Twelfth Regiment, to fit up their armories, because the former sum is $1,500 in excess of the maximum sum permitted by law for that purpose. The third veto was on the resolution to pay $510 for cement furnished for the new Court-house, the Mayor still holding that the new City Hall Commission, and not the Board, have the right of directing the construction of the building. A request from the Supervisors of Westchester County, for a committee of five from this Board, to act with a like committee of their body, to settle the question of the boundary line between the two counties, was complied with. A resolution, proposing the repeal of the State excise law and the abolition of a special excise law for the County, was referred. The resolution permitting the Police Commissioners to use $25,000 from the surplusage of the appropriations for 1862, to fit up the new police headquarters, was passed over the Mayor's veto. There was a long discussion about the Annual Appropriation bill for the County. The chief point of dispute was an item of $6,063 74, being for interest on claims incurred by services of clerks under the famous Record Commission—this sum being in excess of the $80,000 provided in 1860 for the payment of the claims, after adjudication. Mr. BLUNT feared a personal liability for further claims. Mr. DAVIS explained that a safety provision would accompany the item, limiting payment to claims already judicially ordered. The subject was finally laid over. Adjourned till 3 P. M. on next Thursday.

A large meeting to promote the "new State" movement was held in Wheeling, Va., on Saturday evening last.

Judge LEMUEL J. BOWDEN, of Williamsburgh, Va., has been elected by the West Virginia Legislature to the United States Senate, in place of Hon. W. T. WILEY, who positively declined to be a candidate for reelection. Judge BOWDEN is a lawyer of distinguished ability, and said to be a loyalist of the most true-hearted character.

The General Term of the Supreme Court, yesterday, had under consideration a number of criminal cases, before reported in the TIMES and familiar to its readers. They are noticed in the law column.

The market for Gold was ¾ ⅌ cent. lower yesterday morning than the night before, and so was Exchange on London. But the decline in the former brought forward orders to buy and part of the decline was recovered. Stocks, after a dull morning, were buoyant and higher at the close. Gold 156¾; Erie Shares, 73¾; Exchange dull after the Boston mail closed. The business for the mail this morning was at 170@172 ⅌ cent.

Transactions in Domestic Produce and General Merchandise, yesterday, were checked by the influence of the heavy fall and frequent fluctuations in the price of Gold and Sterling Exchange. Flour declined 5c.@20c. ⅌ bbl.; Wheat about 1c., and Corn 1c. ⅌ bushel, with restricted sales reported. Provisions were less active; prices of hog products favored buyers. Cotton was dull and unsettled. Groceries attracted less attention. A very good inquiry prevailed for Metals, Fruit, Hay, Hops, Oils, Tallow, Tobacco, Wool, Adamantine Candles, Chemicals and Manila Hemp. Whisky was depressed and lower. The Freight market was quiet.

The Live Stock markets have been unusually active this week. The total receipts have been considerably larger than for several weeks previous, but the demand has more than kept up with this increase, and an advance in the prices of all kinds is quoted. A change to cooler weather favors both the consumption and keeping of meat, and butchers, who have during the warm season been sparing in their purchases, are now anxious to lay in a supply against the contingencies of snow-blocked roads, or light receipts from other causes. Beeves numbered 4,640 for the week, of which 3,073 were on sale at Forty-fourth-street, leaving the large number of 1,000 sold at the down-town markets, and purchased by butchers at Albany and elsewhere—400 head are reported sent direct to wholesale butchers. Cattle have sold even better than one week ago, and drovers and speculators still have the best of the market. Choice fat cattle brought 10c.@10¼c. ⅌ lb., net weight, and several droves averaged over 9c. Everything was sold out, the whole averaging from 8½c. to 9c. ⅌ lb. Some of the cattle came in late, but for once, these sold as well as the early arrivals. Sheep are scarce, and higher than one week ago. Prime lots are worth 7½c. ⅌ lb., live weight; some extra fat sheep have been sold for 8c. Live hogs are in good supply, but an improved demand has pretty well used them up. Cooler weather also helps both the retail trade and the packing business. Prime fat hogs, corn-fed, are now selling at 5½c.; light hogs 5½c., and grass-fed 4½c.@5c.

FALSEHOOD OF A REBEL SYMPATHIZER.—The article in the Philadelphia *Evening Journal*, for which its editor, Mr. BOILEAU, was arrested, was an article in praise of JEFF. DAVIS' annual message and in depreciation of that of President LINCOLN. It did not pretty, however, discuss the comparative literary merits of the two, but was loud in praise of the subject-matter of DAVIS' message, and in as entire sympathy with the rebels as if it had been written in Richmond.

In the course of the article, the editor, after alluding to the speeches which JEFF. DAVIS made, in his recent trip to the West and on his return to Richmond, uses the following language:

"The total amount of treason was bandied in the Abolition Press, deceiving the people now, as they have in the past, about the desperate straits of the Confederacy, the visit of Pres. DAVIS to restore their drooping courage, and more of the same sort. The New-York TIMES, however, an Abolition paper, which is generally quite candid, unless engaged in a political campaign, with shrewd foresight and a cautiousness as to its own misrepresentations, commentated the speeches as 'unusually treasonable.'"

There is not the slightest foundation for this slanderous charge against us. In an article on JEFF. DAVIS' speech to the Mississippi Legislature, we quoted his statement that his failure to transfer the war to northern soil "proceeded not from a want of inclination but of power," and this statement of DAVIS we pronounced "crushingly truthful."

The Philadelphia Secesh editor perverts our statement that the truth of this admission of want of power to carry the war North made it a crushing one as the *rebels*, into a charge that we had identified the truth of those speeches of DAVIS which were as full of falsehood as energy is of meat, and that they were crushing to the loyal cause.

We need hardly be surprised at so outrageous a perversion. Lying has been so universally the accompaniment of secession and treason at the South, that we could not expect those who sympathize with treason at the North to be free from that kindred vice also. And that this editor in the same breath should follow BEAUREGARD's advice, and stigmatize the loyal Press of the North as Abolitionists, is only a clearer index, if any were needed, as to where his sympathies and influence tended.

We hope his residence, brief though it has been, in Fort McHenry, may have proved some social not only to his loyalty, but to his veracity.

A Fair Question for Fair Men.

Will some of the Union men of New-York, who are never tired of croaking about the ill-effects of the Emancipation Proclamation, be so good as to inform us why they should take that Executive act in a spirit so different from that manifested by the Union men of New-Orleans. How happens it that the Unionism of the Southern metropolis so promptly, so heartily, we might say so jubilantly, concurs in the measure, while so much of the Unionism in the Northern metropolis finds it so very hard to acquiesce?

It is useless to attempt a denial of the essential fact. Accounts may differ respecting the actual extent of the Union feeling in New-Orleans, but all accounts agree that *whatever there is of it* is most decidedly on the side of the Proclamation. Nothing can be more certain than that the public meeting which took place prior to the sailing of the last steamer, crowded the largest hall in the city—that this meeting consisted mainly of native Southerners, and largely of life-long slaveholders—that it was addressed by none but Southerners and slaveholders,—and that it ended by the *unanimous* and enthusiastic adoption of this among other resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That we are prepared to sustain the Government of the Union *in all measures* adopted for the suppression of the rebellion, and that we *fully approve* the war measure set out in the Proclamation of the President, of Jan. 1, 1863, as one *called for by the exigencies of the contest*, consummating at once an act of justice to one class, and inflicting at the same time on another class persisting in rebellion, *the blow best calculated to reduce them to obedience to the laws.*"

There can be no more explicit and emphatic approval than this. It goes out to the world as the well-weighed, thoroughly-accredited Union sentiment of the chief city of the South. This high position is taken in face of the facts that no other city in time past has so flourished on slave-grown staples, that no other has at the present time such large amounts invested in mortgages on plantations and liens on slaves, and that no other in future could have become so enriched and aggrandized by the realization of the golden dreams of the Confederacy. *It is also taken at great personal risk; for it is certain* that such a committal to an emancipation policy would draw down summary vengeance upon all engaged in it, if the Slave Power should hereafter regain sway. We ask again, then, How is it that the Unionism of New-York City, which is comparatively but slightly touched in its material interests by the Proclamation, and which has nothing of a personal character to fear, should be so querulous and timorous about this measure, while the Unionism of New-Orleans is so cheerful and bold?

In our opinion, this phenomenon is owing to two causes—*first*, to the superior knowledge in New-Orleans of the connection between Slavery and the rebellion; and, *second*, the surviving influence of party spirit in New-York, which in New-Orleans has ceased to exist.

Nobody can doubt the thorough acquaintance of the leading Unionists of New-Orleans with the essential spirit and practical workings of Slavery in its relations to the National Government. They have spent all their lives in the midst of the system—have been personally interested in it—have observed, with their own eyes, exactly how it generated the spirit of rebellion—and have seen precisely how it has since supplied the rebellion with strength and stimulus. It is not possible that Northern Unionists should have so favorable opportunities for forming as accurate a judgment in reference to this vital matter. We need not wonder, then, that their judgment has not been so accurate. The only wonder is that when they receive this enlightened and explicit testimony from the Unionists of Louisiana—and it is repeated by the Unionists of North Carolina and of Maryland, of Western Virginia and of Missouri—there should be an honest doubt remaining in the mind of a single Union man of the North, that if this Union is to live Slavery must perish.

But there is the old party prejudice to overcome. "It is the most difficult thing in this world," says a modern philosopher, "to emancipate one's self from the *tyranny of association*." The North—especially the Democratic Party of the North—have always associated the emancipation of the negro with unconditionality, fanaticism, radicalism, Garrisonism, Sic Semperism, and everything they imagined to be illegal, destructive and abominable. All this feeling was formed in the old order of things and with more or less reason. But the consequence is that tens of thousands of really honest men find it impossible to rid their minds of the old impressions, and to fairly confront the situation of emancipation as a fact. There is reason to believe that not a few of them would choose the latter when the alternative can no longer be avoided. The Southern Unionists are no longer subject to those old habits of thought. They have been put through fiery trials that have renovated them throughout. The upheaval of society about them has broken off every old connection, and they regard everything about them from a new point of view. They are in a condition to take in the necessities of the present, without any reference to the past, and to adapt themselves, loyally and consistently, to the actual demands of the situation. In once receiving and seek trials to maintain their Unionism, they are in a condition of mind to hold back anything which they may think to be conservative in the preservation of the Union. All former predilections, all minor attachments, are overborne by this paramount devotion to their country, and full knowledge of the only means of saving it. They thus go straight on without reserve, and without misgiving.

If the two reasons we have assigned—superior knowledge of the relations of Slavery to the rebellion, and superior freedom from party influence and ancient prejudice—are not the main causes of the superior boldness of the Unionists of New-Orleans concerning the Emancipation policy of the President, we [illegible] for. Apart from these reasons, every antecedent probability would have prepared us for a hostility from the Union men of New-Orleans against the Proclamation as intense and bitter as their support of it is now ardent and generous.

United States Senator.

Ex-Gov. MORGAN was yesterday elected Senator in the Congress of the United States, in place of PRESTON KING, whose term expires with the present session. This result puts a very effective *quietus* on the predictions of leading Democratic journals just after the last election, that they would either elect a Democrat or throw the election over to another year. Gov. MORGAN is a Republican, and if we may judge the future by the past, will continue to act as the representative of that party. At the same time he is a gentleman of enlarged and liberal views, and has seen enough of public life to appreciate the fact that public service is a practical matter, and as such is inconsistent with an obstinate adherence to favorite theories, regardless of circumstances and under all contingencies.

In the caucus of Republicans and Union Democrats by which this nomination was made, the services and fidelity of Senator KING were fully appreciated, and there was a very strong inclination to renew his term. But the State has recently inclined to the policy of a single term for its representatives in the Senate, as more just to the several localities, and to the personal and political claims of individuals. There was a large number of members in the caucus who at the outset preferred some other candidate to Gov. MORGAN; but their unwillingness to waive personal preferences and resentments, and their lack of any common principle or sentiment to control their action, soon gave Gov. MORGAN a very signal and decisive triumph. Their defeat in this as in many other instances may possibly serve to teach some who aspire and claim to be political leaders, that passion is a very poor substitute for policy, and that resentment and revenge form a very unsubstantial basis for party movements.

Gov. MORGAN has served the public one year as Assistant Alderman in this City, two terms as State Senator, and four years as Governor. *He has ability and experience* in the management of public affairs. He represents what is known as the conservative wing of the Republican party, and though it is not very easy to say what specific distinction of principles or of policy that term indicates, his election is understood to signalize a decided defeat of the "radicals." His election is acceptable to the more loyal and conservative section of the Democrats, and will give very general satisfaction throughout the State and nation.

Minor Military Operations.

A correspondent of the Richmond *Whig*, writing from LEE's headquarters on the 29th ult., speaks of the bad weather that set in when BURNSIDE was about to move a fortnight ago, and says that the rain and snow continued up to the time of his writing, and that the snow was then five inches deep, and the roads difficult of passage. The "oldest inhabitant" also told him that Winter, with its accompanying bad weather, had just begun in that latitude. From all of which the writer draws the inference that

"At any rate we can reasonably promise ourselves a respite from BURNSIDE's military operations, of thirty or sixty days, to borrow the stereotyped diplomatic phrase of Mr. SEWARD in his dispatches."

It is rather unfortunate that this season, during which the rebels expect to be "let alone" in Virginia so that they can employ their army in any other field at which it may be needed, is the very time in which GRANT is about to begin operations against Vicksburgh, and ROSECRANS, apparently, to move against Tullahoma. A prospect, or, as the rebels think, a certainty of three months' inactivity in Virginia, will enable them to ship off twenty thousand men to each of the menaced points, unless we give them work nearer home. Although we have no idea that Gen. HOOKER will remain motionless at Falmouth for the "stereotyped diplomatic thirty or sixty days," yet we think that during that time work may be furnished the rebels by our armies in North and South Carolina, and by our iron-clads. These are several important points in and not far from the Southern seaboard, which lie altogether at her mercy, and which, if once in our hands, would render it a very dangerous thing for the rebels to deplete the Virginia army by sending any great part of it West.

We imagine that Gen. FOSTER will do his share in furnishing the rebels the employment which they need. It is not yet known where the large land and naval expedition with which he left Newbern the other day has sailed to; but we have no idea that he and his expedition will turn up on a fresh bar or a sea island. We suspect they will turn up where slaves are pretty thick, and where, if we get a foothold, we can fling a javelin into the bowels, if we cannot at the head, of the rebellion. We hope FOSTER's expedition may not disappoint us in this respect.

Our Montana, too, might, we should think, render us good service in their way. We have now two of them on the coast of the Carolinas, and two or three at or near Fortress Monroe. Their sea-going qualities have been tested, and Commander WORDEN, in a fashion that is highly wonderful, has proved their invulnerability against the rebel batteries. Let some of them be put to work up the Southern rivers, aided by the small land forces now lying idle here and there over the South. In this way, even if HOOKER does not immediately operate on the Rappahannock, Jeff. DAVIS may be prevented from concentrating all his forces for the overthrow of our two armies in the Southwest.

SENSITIVENESS OF THE REBEL ARMY.—One reason for Gen. BURNSIDE's anxiety to make ground, and, if necessary, repulse attempts upon the rebel army on the Rappahannock, was the conviction in his mind that the forces had been greatly reinforced by recent detachments sent South and West. The following paragraph, from the Richmond *Whig* of the 31st ult., serves to confirm this opinion:

"The New-York *World* has a report from a well-informed source that the Army of the Potomac is to be broken up, and the bulk of it sent West—only a small fragment of it to be reached at Washington. This comes of our movements being known to the enemy. *If we only had our full forces now upon the Rappahannock, instead of being scattered South and West*, we could make short work of the Yankee scoters at Washington. But it is useless to cry over spilt milk."

Brooklyn Tragedies.

Brooklyn, take it all in all, is one of the finest cities in the world. Its hundreds of beautiful streets and avenues, lined on both sides with elegant houses, filled and decorated with every luxury that science can invent or art produce; its public buildings, libraries, opera and churches—are the pride of its own citizens and the wonder of traveled Manhattanese. Its people, on the average, probably, enjoy a larger share of the good things of this life than falls to the lot of the dentizens of any other city on the globe. They are noted for their refinement, for their culture, for their high morality. They are blessed with golden-mouthed preachers, who, in turn, are favored with vastet and sleeker flocks than any other shepherds of this heritage. Their temples so abound that the city has acquired the designation of the "City of Churches." Their charity is wide as the world. Whoever seeks aid for the people of any continent or clime, turns his footsteps first to Brooklyn, assured that the appeal has but to be made, to be generously responded to.

But, let Brooklyn look for a moment at home. The papers, within the last day or two, have contained notices, terrible and heart-rending, of occurrences in Brooklyn, which we would thus prominently bring to the attention of its citizens and authorities. The dead are dead. The victims of starvation have had their cold inquest, and been buried. For them, nothing now can be done. But those who still live and starve—shall any more of them be permitted to perish with the luxury and wealth of Brooklyn around them? Shall another one of them pass along the streets of that luxurious city, and gazing into its happy homes, "see the light of household fires gleam warm and bright," and then crawl into his cold hovel to die at want? The following are the two items of Brooklyn news we refer to:

Death from Want.—An inquest was held by Coroner MORAN, Thursday morning last, upon the body of a girl 8 years of age, named MARGARET FOREST, residing in the tenement of No. 208 Water-street, who died from want. The Coroner found the place filthy and destitute of furniture. In one corner of the room was an old mattress of straw, upon which the whole family, father, mother, and two children slept. They were nearly destitute of clothing, and there was nothing whatever to eat in the house. They had had no food for two days.

Died of Hunger.—On Sunday last, Coroner MORAN held an inquest upon the body of a man named HENRY HAYES, a butcher, who died for want of the necessaries of life, on Saturday night. The Coroner, on entering the apartment, found the deceased sitting upright in his chair. The appearance of the room indicated that the wife of the deceased was an industrious, cleanly woman, but there was evidence of extreme poverty. Owing to a malignant disease, Mr. HAYES has been unable to work for some time, and thus their income was cut off. A few days since she applied to the Superintendent of the Poor, and asked for a little food, stating that her husband was very ill, and required some nourishment. The inquiry was, "Have you any children?" On answering that she had none, she was told *to go to work and earn food*. She returned home, and her husband asked for some little nourishment, but she had none to give him. The jury, in rendering their verdict, stated that want of proper nourishment was the cause of death, and that it was a proper case for the authorities to inquire into.

That is only two cases of starvation—that is all. Only two cases within a week! It is shocking—it is inexcusable. Poets may starve in their garrets, too proud to ask assistance, but the average poor do not suffer themselves to starve to death until they have exhausted all efforts to obtain relief, and given up in despair. Who knows the reason that these poor folks may have met with from the time when the sharp pangs of hunger first touched their hearts, till they passed to where "there is no more hunger"—who but those who have felt it, can tell the deathly effect of being repelled by a cold-hearted official dispenser of alms? The citizens of Brooklyn need no stirring up to acts of personal charity; but, for the honor of human nature and of the City of Churches, we trust they will see that the so-called guardians of their poor be held to some account for these shocking occurrences, and that they will make provision that none other such cases are heard of in their city, while Heaven blesses it with plenty.

THE SCARE ON MEXICO.—We trust that in the discussions on the Franco-Mexican question, which were opened in the Senate yesterday, and which that body seems disposed to entertain, there will be no unnecessary heat displayed, and no false charges made against either of the belligerents. The speech of Senator McDOUGALL, of California, on his Mexican resolutions, was highly unfortunate. He accused France not only of a design of seizing possession of the Mexican States, but of an intention of pushing her conquests further—of going through Lower California and seizing California, and then of seizing Texas and the more Southern States, and gaining control of the Mississippi River. It is, perhaps, no more improper in Mr. McDOUGALL to make such charges against France than it was for the French Emperor to make the charge against our Government of a desire to seize Mexico, and dominate the Antilles and South America. But both the charge and the counter-charge are improper, insolent, and offensive. The French charge was the most offensive, in that it was official; but Senators also must remember the importance that is put in Europe upon their declarations.

We do not see that any good can come from extended debate upon Mr. McDOUGALL's resolutions, considering the form in which they stand and the shape certain to be assumed [illegible] Time had as well be noted down, at once, that our relations with France be left for the present in the charge of the State Department.

AN IMPERFECT REFORM.—We congratulate the country on the probability of at least one needed reform in the Army of the Potomac. The Washington correspondence of one of our City journals states that Gen. HOOKER is determined to end the régime of "half-loyal, half-hearted, heavy and slow Generals," and that

"those whose speed, speech and influence tend to produce insubordination and demoralization among the troops are cashiered. The efficient officers in the army will now surely come up, and thorough discipline for both officers and men will be surely be enforced—discipline that shall require unquestioning obedience to orders, and abstinence from criticism and from prophecy of disaster."

No man knows better than Gen. HOOKER the effect produced upon an army by harsh criticisms of plans formed by the commanding General, and by "prophecies of disaster" uttered on the eve of important movements. His own experience and observation have confirmed the teachings of common sense on this subject. He cannot fail to have noticed the depressing influence upon subordinate officers and men, of all such censures and denunciations. When a General of Division or of Corps, after receiving orders for an important movement against the enemy, does not scruple to announce it as certain to fail—as ridiculous and absurd, and as affording proof that the commander has not brains for the authority he is commissioned to wield, he can scarcely expect his subordinates to show much alacrity or enthusiasm in their execution. No man knows this better than Gen. HOOKER; and we are glad to see that he is prepared to administer the prompt and effective remedy which the case requires. It is nothing but the lack of such discipline which has prevented the Army of the Potomac from long ago winning a decided and decisive victory over the rebels in its front.

We trust that Gen. HOOKER will not deem it necessary to go to Washington for "consultation" with the authorities there upon the cases which may arise for discipline under the very just and proper rule he has adopted. If any officer, whether he be commander of a Grand Division, of a brigade or a single regiment, sees fit to set an example of disloyalty and of mutiny to those under him, by heedless, false and unmilitary criticisms of the kind referred to, we hope Gen. HOOKER will instantly *dismiss him from the service*, as unfit to draw a sword in so good a cause—and that, too, without waiting to consult the President, the Secretary of War, or any other officer outside his army lines. Let them review his action, and take the full responsibility of reversing it, if they see fit to do so. But let him not shrink from the exercise of all the power which he wields, to effect this great and greatly needed reform in the army under his command.

LATEST FROM VICKSBURGH.

ARRIVAL OF GENERAL GRANT.

The Work of Widening the Canal Still Progressing.

Vicksburgh dates to the 30th ultimo have been received.

Gen. GRANT has arrived.

The work of widening and deepening the canal is progressing. The rebels have planted a battery on the Mississippi shore, which commands the lower end of the canal.

The Richmond *Whig*, of the 2d, says that Fort Pemberton, with thirteen brigades, has gone to Yazoo rapids.

The gunboat *Nye* was attacked Sunday last, at 11 o'clock, near Island No. 10, by guerillas, with three pieces of ordnance. The boat returned the compliment. The attack lasted till nine daylight, when the rebels retired. Their force was estimated at between 2,000 and 3,000.

The operator at Paducah reports that the command at Fort Donelson was attacked at an early hour this morning. At 4 this afternoon the engagement was going on. Reinforcements have gone to the relief.

AN IMPORTANT RECONNOISSANCE.

Washington Surprised by Gen. Wyndham's Cavalry—Rebels Driven from the Rappahannock—Sulphur Springs—No Rebels Found.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

Accounts from Falmouth Court-house, received to-day, say that Gen. Wyndham has returned from an expedition to Warrenton. He surprised the town last night, and while there sent strong patrols to the Rappahannock at Sulphur Springs and Waterloo. These patrols found no enemy at either place. He captured in Warrenton eighty rebel cavalry, and he was obliged to destroy, having no facilities for bringing them away, a quantity of rebel stores.

MONTHLY ADVERTISEMENTS.

Announcements.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—THIRD WEEK OF THE VESPERS.

WINTER GARDEN—THE ADVOCATE'S LAST CAUSE—ONE TOUCH OF NATURE—THE FRENCH SPY.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—THE PET OF THE PETTICOATS.

WALLACK'S—ROAD TO RUIN.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—MISS LAVINIA WARREN, the Queen of Beauty, Com. Nutt, &c., at all hours—THERESA'S VOW; OR, THE CROSS OF GOLD, morning, afternoon and evening.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—LEAH, THE FORSAKEN.

STUYVESANT INSTITUTE—(No. 659 Broadway) BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS.

NEW HALL OF ART, No. 652 Broadway—BANVARD'S PANORAMA OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND THE WAR.

COOPER INSTITUTE—LAUGHING GAS.

GERMAN OPERA.—Mr. ANSCHUTZ having returned to New-York, Professor [illegible] has been [illegible] to-night. The opera of "[illegible]" [illegible] the season.

TRAILIN OPERA IN BROOKLYN.—Last night, at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, Mr. [illegible] gave, to the entire satisfaction of the most [illegible] who we have yet seen at any theatre, the favorite opera, "Rosina," Lonsdale, Mademoiselle [illegible] and Miss [illegible] were in the cast, and they [illegible] at their respective roles.

Gen. Burnside is Fortified.

VISIT TO THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Tuesday, Feb. 3.

By invitation of the General Assembly, Gen. BURNSIDE to-day visited that body. Resolutions were adopted, and the Governor was requested to introduce individually, the distinguished visitor. The reception was informal, but most cordial and hearty.

Boiler Explosion and Loss of Life.

BALTIMORE, Monday, Feb. 2.

A boiler at THOMAS & TOWNSEND's steam-saw and rolling mill exploded to-day, killing two men, working men and seriously wounding others.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

Action of the Senate Military Committee Regarding the New Generals.

Proposed Reorganization of the Signal Corps.

A Measure to Stop the Pay of Officers Absent from Duty.

AMENDMENT OF THE TAX BILL.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

WORK OF THE SENATE MILITARY COMMITTEE.

The Senate Military Committee, having passed a resolution to refer back to the President all the nominations for Major and Brigadier Generals now before them, an amendment has been prepared, which will be incorporated into some one of the bills now before the Senate, authorizing an increase of thirty Major Generals and seventy Brigadier Generals. This course will provide for as many as the service actually requires, and a selection will be made from the two hundred or over now before the Committee.

The same Committee are preparing an important bill reorganizing the Signal Corps. It is proposed to arrange it so as to make it a department under command of Maj. MYERS. Its present organization, as attached to the army, is found to be, in many respects, very inefficient. The Committee are determined to apply a remedy.

STOPPING THE PAY OF ABSENT OFFICERS.

An important bill, prepared by Senator LANE, of Kansas, is now before the Senate Military Committee, which proposes to stop the pay of unemployed military officers. It is the intention of the Committee and the Senate to put a stop, if possible, to this evil of absenteeism. There are between eight and ten thousand officers absent from their posts, many of whom have not been in service for months.

THE APPOINTMENT OF MIDSHIPMEN.

The Secretary of the Navy to-day replied to the resolution of the Senate in relevance to the appointment of midshipmen in the navy. He states that they were made in accordance with an existing law, as construed by the Attorney-General.

THE TAX BILL.

The House Ways and Means Committee are still engaged upon the Tax bill. Several Committees, representing large interests, are importuning the Committee for a reduction of taxes on various articles in which they are interested. Instead of there being any reduction, the Committee will be compelled to add considerably to articles on the tax list. The question to be decided by Committee is, what articles can be additionally taxed?

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate, in Executive session to-day, confirmed all the Collectors and Assessors appointed under the Tax bill, except those to whom objections were made.

RESTORATION OF PENNSYLVANIANS.

Gov. CURTIN, of Pennsylvania, accompanied by a number of members of the Philadelphia Councils and members of the State Legislature, arrived this morning.

THE PROPOSED TELEGRAPH.

The bill for a submarine telegraph to New Orleans and Galveston hangs in the House on a call for the previous question, where it was left by the adjournment, and at which stage it will be taken up to-morrow.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

The tabling of the bankrupt bill in the House to-day is no indication of the defeat of the measure. Mr. CONKLING has managed to lose some support which belongs to it, and the feeling is in favor of passing the Senate bill instead, as being the better calculated to secure the end in view.

MR. STEVENS' SPEECH.

Mr. STEVENS' speech, inclosing the debate on the Negro Regiment bill, was of unusual power, though, as usual, the Republicans complain that he did them about as much harm as good. His event on WASHBURNE was peculiarly severe. He had been speaking of "the distinguished gentleman from Kentucky." Mr. WASHBURNE asked if he referred to him, apparently desiring to correct the statement he was making. "Oh, no," said STEVENS, "I referred to Mr. CRITTENDEN, whom I always delight to designate as the distinguished gentleman from Kentucky, because he is distinguished."

In the course of his speech Mr. STEVENS brought out a terribly damaging fact against Gen. McCLELLAN. He said he stated from facts within his own knowledge that McCLELLAN had so persistently disobeyed the orders of Lieut.-Gen. SCOTT in the earlier part of this war, as recent developments showed he had disobeyed the President at a later period.

PAYING THE ARMY.

Several Paymasters left here yesterday, for the Army of the Potomac, with funds to pay off several brigades in Gen. SUMNER'S Grand Division.

A DISLOYAL CLERK.

The brother of Hiller SAMUEL S. COX, who was removed from a fat clerkship in the Interior Department, did not even claim to be a Union Democrat. In the Ohio election, a year ago, he violently opposed the Union ticket and labored zealously for straight Democratic candidates. His removal was asked for in a petition signed by a majority of Republican Congressmen; but in spite of this his friends hope to get him a place again.—this time in the War Department. It may be worth while to notice what official preferment now to provide him with Government support.

THE NORFOLK AND NEW-ORLEANS ELECTIONS.

The ground taken by the House Committee on Elections in reporting against the right of the Congressman elect from *Norfolk to his seat*, is, that there was not a fair expression of a sufficient number of loyal people to give it the semblance of honest representation. In New-Orleans they think there was such expression, and they do not deem it necessary to insist on compliance, in such cases, with legal formalities. If the loyal people of New-Orleans had agreed among themselves to vote without a call from the Military Governor or anybody else, they hold that the election would still have been good. In Norfolk, the absence of such a vote of a reasonable number of loyal people invalidates the election, and they oppose the admission.

VIOLATING THE BLOCKADE.

Two fellows, named W. W. WARD and J. W. LEWIS, were captured on Saturday by the Potomac flotilla, while on their way to Dixie with contraband goods. They were committed to the Old Capitol.

"STONEWALL' JACKSON'S" CHAPLAIN.

Rev. J. LAMBERT, a rebel Chaplain, who was captured a few days ago by Col. WYNDHAM, at Middleburgh, Va., and who professes to be the spiritual adviser of Gen. "Stonewall JACKSON," was committed yesterday to the Old Capitol Prison, to await exchange. Since his capture, and until his incarceration, the reverend gentleman has been flourishing around among the loyal herd, the lion of the sympathizing ranks of the city. When arrested, he became very indignant, and gave vent to his feelings in language anything but proper and becoming for gentlemen of the cloth.

THE WAY THE ARMY IS DEMORALIZED.

Col. BAKER, Chief of the Government Detective force in this City, yesterday succeeded in unearthing one of the smartest schemes of villainy that has yet been devised to demoralize the Army of the Potomac since the present war began. Colonels of regiments, for some time past, have realized that their commands were being reduced fearfully by discharges emanating from this city, but as the descriptive list of each one in turn was formally "ordered," it was sufficient evidence for them that the discharges were based upon proper documentary evidence of the disability of the applicant, and therefore could not remonstrate. But so many have recently been discharged upon certificates of disability, that now when a man is placed upon the sick list, it is a common saying among his associates that "he has gone for his discharge papers." Col. BAKER has been able to ascertain that many of these papers were obtained upon forged Surgeon's certificates, and has arrested, for participating in this business, a Dr. EMERSON, and a fellow named CRAIG. Their "office" was in the Monumental Hotel bar-room, near the Railroad depôt. Outside appeared prominently a sign: "Soldiers discharge papers obtained here." This, of course, attracted the attention of soldiers desirous of going home, and for several weeks past the Doctor and his *confrère* have carried on an extensive business. For full papers of disability signed by the said EMERSON as an army Surgeon, each soldier was required to pay $5. Hundreds of these certificates of disability have gone through the regular channel, and the soldiers have obtained an honorable discharge, entitling them to all the emoluments and benefits to be derived by any one. The Doctor, when arrested, with the utmost coolness acknowledged his guilt, knowing, it is said, that *there is no law under which he can be punished*. As a matter of safety, the Doctor and his friend CRAIG have been placed in the Capitol prison.

REBEL OFFICERS CAPTURED.

W. F. LITTLEBRAIN, supposed to be a rebel officer on his way to this city as a spy, was captured on Saturday by one of our gunboats on the Lower Potomac, and forwarded to the Provost-Marshal here, who committed him to the Old Capitol Prison.

PROMOTIONS IN THE REGULAR ARMY.

The following nominations for promotion in the Regular Army was sent in by the President on Friday, and, with those heretofore published in the TIMES, completes the list so far as made:

Medical Department.—Assistant Surgeon John F. Randolph, to be Surgeon, Aug. 27, 1862, *vice* De Camp, retired.

Second Regiment of Cavalry.—Second Lieut. James D. Potter, to be First Lieutenant, Nov. 25, 1862, *vice* Burton, dismissed.

Fourth Regiment of Cavalry.—First Lieut. Thomas H. McCormick, to be Captain, Dec. 14, 1862, *vice* Bayard, died of wounds received in battle; Second Lieut. Copley Amory, to be First Lieutenant, Oct. 17, 1862, *vice* L'Hommedieu, the Regimental Commissary; Second Lieut. William O'Connell, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 14, 1862, *vice* McCormick, promoted.

Sixth Regiment of Cavalry.—First Lieut. Ira W. Claflin, to be Captain, Dec. 23, 1862, *vice* Savage, retired; Second Lieut. Isaac M. Ward, to be First Lieutenant, Oct. 26, 1862, *vice* Dudley, dismissed; Second Lieut. Albert Coats, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 23, 1862, *vice* Enos, who vacates his regimental commission; Second Lieut. Joseph Kerin, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 23, 1862, *vice* Claflin, promoted.

Fourth Regiment of Artillery.—Second Lieut. Harry C. Cushing, to be First Lieutenant, Sept. 17, 1862, *vice* Baker, killed in battle; Second Lieut. Eugene A. Bancroft, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 13, 1862, *vice* Dickinson, killed in battle; Brevet Second Lieut. Sylvanus T. Rugg, of the Second Artillery, to be Second Lieutenant, Oct. 22, 1862, *vice* Cushing, promoted; Brevet Second Lieut. John W. Roder, of the Second Artillery, to be Second Lieutenant, Dec. 12, 1862, *vice* Bancroft, promoted.

Fifth Regiment of Artillery.—Brevet Second Lieut. *W. W. Williams, of the Second Artillery, to be* Second Lieutenant, Dec. 10, 1862, *vice* Talisferro, resigned.

Fifth Regiment of Infantry.—First Lieut. Allen L. Anderson, to be Captain, Dec. 3, 1862, *vice* Elwood, deceased; Second Lieut. Franklin Coxe, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 3, 1862, *vice* Anderson, promoted.

Eleventh Regiment of Infantry.—Second Lieut. Irvin B. Wright, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 13, 1862, *vice* Gray, deceased.

Twelfth Regiment of Infantry.—First Lieut. Stephen Van Rensselaer, to be Captain, Dec. 20, 1862, *vice* Pennington resigned; Second Lieut. William McC. Netterville, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 20, 1862, *vice* Rensselaer, promoted.

Seventeenth Regiment of Infantry.—First Lieut. Clarence H. Corning, to be Captain, Dec. 11, 1862, *vice* Spencer, resigned; First Lieut. Thomas C. J. Bailey, to be Captain, Dec. 16, 1862, *vice* McLandburgh, killed in battle; Second Lieut. Alex. Menzies, to be First Lieutenant, Nov. 25, 1862, *vice* Carpenter, dismissed; Second Lieut. George W. Smith, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 11, 1862, *vice* Corning, promoted; Second Lieut. Lemuel H. Warren, to be First Lieutenant, Dec. 16, 1862, *vice* Baily, promoted.

Eighteenth Regiment of Infantry.—First Lieut. Nathaniel C. Kinney, to be Captain, Nov. 25, 1862, *vice* Breslin, dismissed; Second Lieut. Gilbert S. Carpenter, to be First Lieutenant, Nov. 25, 1862, *vice* Kinney, promoted.

APPOINTMENTS.

Third Regiment of Cavalry.—Private Samuel Hildeburn, of the United States army, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Texing, whose appointment has been revoked.

Fourth Regiment of Cavalry.—Sergt.-Maj. John G. Webster, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* O'Connell, promoted.

Fifth Regiment of Cavalry.—Sergt. William Brophy, of Company D, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Hastings, the regimental Adjutant; Sergt. John Stoddard, of Co. I, to be Second Lieutenant, to fill an original vacancy.

Fifth Regiment of Infantry.—Sergt. Samuel L. Comstock, of Company E, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Cope, promoted.

Sixth Regiment of Infantry.—Sergt. Richard Combs, of Co. E, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Rice, whose appointment has been revoked.

Eleventh Regiment of Infantry.—Sergt. David Hayward, of Co. F, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Wright, promoted.

Twelfth Regiment of Infantry.—Sergt. D. W. Carr, of Co. E, Sharpshooter Battalion, to be Second Lieutenant, *vice* Nettleville, promoted; Sergt. V. W. Patterson, of Co. F, Second Battalion, to be Second Lieutenant, *to fill an original vacancy.*

DEATHS OF SOLDIERS.

The following soldiers have died since our last report:

Fred. Hoonkes, Co. I, 9th New-York Cavalry.
Lt. C. Smith, Co. G, 19th Maine.
Sergt. P. H. McManus, Co. H, 165th New-York.
R. Garrety, Co. A, 9th Massachusetts.
Wm. T. Farrell, Co. K, 39th Massachusetts.
John B. Pope, Co. A, 2d New-York Cavalry.
John Monnes, Co. E, 146th New-York.
L. E. Smith, Co. G, 8th New-York Cavalry.
A. Hill, Co. F, 28th Massachusetts.

PROPOSALS FOR OATS AND HAY.

Col. BURNS, Depot Quartermaster here, invites proposals, to be received up to Feb. 9, for furnishing the Government with 500,000 bushels of oats and 5,000 tons of hay—the oats to weigh 32 pounds to the bushel, and the hay 2,000 pounds to the ton. Bids from disloyal parties will not be recognized.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

REVENUE DECISION.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has made the following decision relative to stamps required upon certificates of corporation stock: Whenever the officers of a corporation receive satisfactory evidence that any person, persons or party shall become *stockholders in such corporation, and shall make in* the books thereof the requisite entries, showing that such person, persons or party shall have become stockholders, and shall make and sign certificate or certificates thereof, it shall be the duty of such officers to affix to every such certificate the appropriate revenue stamp, the expense thereof to be paid by the persons or party for whose use or benefit such certificate or certificates shall be made and signed.

THE NEW-ORLEANS ELECTION CASES.

The Committee on Elections, in deciding upon the claims of Messrs. FLANIGAN and HAHN to seats in the House from Louisiana, say they were elected under the proclamation of the Military Governor, SHEPLEY. The principal doubtful point in the case appears to be the time of election fixed by him differing from that of the law of Louisiana. The fact, however, that the rebel Governor had deserted his duty, while the Constitution of the United States guarantees to every State a Republican form of Government, made it necessary for the Military Governor to assume to fix a time for the elections.

LANDS IN MAINE AND MASSACHUSETTS.

Senator DOOLITTLE, to-day, introduced a bill, appropriating to Maine nearly $114,000, and Massachusetts $21,500, for lands, the titles to which must be quieted under the treaty of Washington.

NAVAL AFFAIRS.

Lieut. ALBERT KEEN has been ordered to the West Gulf blockading squadron.

Acting Assistant Paymasters HENRY M. LAMPS and WILLIAM D. BARNES, have been ordered to the Mississippi Squadron.

The Navy Department offers a reward of fifty dollars for the arrest of Acting Ensign GEORGE MAYNES, of Portsmouth, N. H., deserter from the United States steamer *Vanderbilt*.

MEETING OF PUBLISHERS.

A meeting of newspaper publishers from all parts of the country has been called to meet here Monday evening next, to urge upon Congress the importance of reducing or repealing the duty on imported paper.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

SPEECHES OF WM. E. DODGE, GEN. CASEY, ADMIRAL FOOTE, SENATOR WILLEY AND OTHERS.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 2, 1863.

The President was in his accustomed seat in Dr. GURLEY'S Church, in New-York-avenue, yesterday morning, and listened with fixed attention, as did a large congregation, to a discourse on the relations of the Christian Sabbath, by Rev. Mr. COXE, of your City.

A large public meeting was held at the same place last evening, to promote the better observance of Sunday in the army and navy. The speakers were predominantly "representative men"—from the pulpit, the counting-house, the army, the navy, the Senate and the House. Rev. Mr. COXE sketched the history and results of the beneficent reforms connected with the New-York Sabbath Committee's enterprises, and opened the discussion of the topic of the evening.

WM. E. DODGE, Esq., your merchant prince, made one of his happiest addresses, illustrating by his experience in railway boards of direction, and as a traveler, the economical advantages of due Sabbath observance, and applying the principles thus illustrated to the army and navy.

The veteran Gen. CASEY responded to an invitation for his testimony, and in a few brief sentences gave utterance to sentiments worthy to be proclaimed in the ears of the army and the nation. "I have been thirty-six years in the military service," said he, "and I know that the army needs a Sabbath. I was five years in the Florida war. In long marches, better time will be made, and the men will go through in better condition by resting on the Sabbath than by continuous marching. No prudent General will plan for a Sunday battle. I would appeal to the American people to save our American Sabbath. If our wealth is lost in this terrible war, it may be recovered. If our young men are killed off, others will grow up: *but if our Sabbath is lost, it can never be restored, and all is lost.*" The audience was affected to tears by these sententious words, from the gray-headed warrior.

Rear-Admiral FOOTE followed in behalf of the Navy, and illustrated the value of the Sabbath to the discipline and efficiency of his branch of the service, from his own experience at sea and on the Western flotilla. He said he had always taken the chaplain's place, when there was no such officer present, as he thought every commander should. And he advocated the same courage and decision in the discharge of Christian duty as in the performance of military or naval duties.

Senator WILLEY, of Western Virginia, made a noble speech, breathing the spirit of loyalty to God and country. His view of national dependence on God, and of the necessity of prosecuting a righteous war in a manner to secure the favor of Heaven and in subordination to law, human and divine, was strongly and eloquently expressed. He was followed with a few cordial words from the Hon. Mr. OBRIE, of Brooklyn, and the meeting dispersed.

Who has not observed the fact that the rebels show in the dispatches of their Generals, in the discipline of their armies, and in all that we learn of their policy, a juster sense of their dependence on the Supreme Being, and of the power of the religious element, than is common among National officers? Why is this? Should it be so? Are we strong enough to conquer without the aid of "the God of Mercy and of Battles?" Can even a just cause triumph when contended for in the spirit of lawlessness and self-sufficiency? Will not the counsels of these veteran Generals and Admirals and Senators be heeded now when our own strength is proven to be weakness and our unaided wisdom folly? Yours, L. N. H.

For Congressional Proceedings, see Second Page.

THE McDOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY

From Our Own Reporter.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3, 1863.

In the McDowell Court of Inquiry to-day, Gen. McDowell recalled Lieut.-Col. TILLSON, Capt. HAVEN, Col. SCHRIVER and Capt. LESKI, to show further, in contradiction of Col. LOCKE's testimony, that Gen. KING was not in company with Gen. McDowell on the afternoon of the 29th of August, and that no communication passed between Gen. McDowell and Gen. Porter on the subject of the latter's remaining where he was. These witnesses stated that as aids of Gen. McDowell, almost constantly in his presence on the afternoon of that day, they knew nothing of the presence of Gen. KING with Gen. McDowell, and nothing of any communication between Gen. McDowell and Gen. Porter, through staff officers of the latter or otherwise, after Gen. McDowell left Gen. Porter at the head of the latter's column.

Gen. SIGEL not having arrived to testify, that part of his official report relating to the conduct of Gen. McDowell on the 29th of August, was, by consent of Gen. McDowell, read as evidence, as follows: "At one time, not receiving assistance from the rear, as I had a right to expect after having sent for it, and our struggling battalions being nearly overcome by the weight and persistence of the enemy's attack, I fell back about one-half mile to where I understood Gen. McDowell was with a large portion of his corps. I found him, and appealed to him in the most urgent manner to send a brigade forward at once to save the day or all would be lost. He answered coldly in substance that it was not his business to help everybody, and he was not going to help Gen. Sigel. I told him I was not fighting with Gen. Sigel's corps; that my brigade had been out of ammunition some time before and gone to the rear, and that I had been fighting with a half dozen different brigades, and that I did not inquired where or to what particular corps they belonged. He inquired of one of his Aids if Gen. —— was fighting over there on the left. He answered he thought he was. McDowell replied that he could send him help, for he was a good fellow. He then gave the order for a brigade to start, which was all I desired. I dashed in front of them, waved my sword, and cheered them forward."

Lieut. Colonel Roebling, Sixth New-York Battery, called by Gen. McDowell, was present on the 30th of August last, on the occasion of Gen. Milroy coming to Gen. McDowell and asking for reinforcements. Gen. Milroy came to within 70 or 75 feet of Gen. McDowell; was in a very excited state of mind, and spoke at the top of his voice. He was waving his sword and his hat was off. He said, "For God's sake, General send a few regiments into those woods. My poor men are being all cut to pieces. If you will send me some reinforcements we will be able to drive the enemy back yet." In addition to this, he made a great many expressions without any apparent connection. Gen. McDowell did not make any reply to Gen. Milroy which could have been heard by the latter. After hesitating some ten minutes, and on receiving a note by an officer, Gen. McDowell gave orders for a brigade of Porter's to advance into the woods. Witness did not hear any thing said by either Gen. McDowell or Gen. Milroy about Gen. Sigel.

Question by the Court—Gen. McDowell was talking with Gen. Porter during the ten minutes hesitation. After reading the note, Gen. McDowell said, with *great animation*, "*now I have authority—now all is right. Let me go.*"

Capt. J. W. Osborn testified to about the same effect. He did not think that Gen. McDowell made any reply to Gen. Milroy, and was quite certain that nothing was said about Gen. Sigel.

Col. Buchanan, who went with the reinforcements which were sent forward, is expected to be examined to-morrow, when the evidence is to be closed.

The Arrest of the Proprietor of the Philadelphia Evening Journal.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

Mr. BOILEAU, the proprietor of the Philadelphia *Evening Journal*, who was arrested on the charge of treason, and confined in Fort McHenry, has resumed the publication of his paper.

In to-day's issue he has a letter which was written in Fort McHenry.

In this letter, he says:

"Those who supposed that we were other than a Union Democrat have been mistaken. We advocate the claims of the Democratic party because it is the party of that party are the truest friends of the Union. There is no Democrat who is not unanimously in favor of the Union and the Constitution."

GEN. McCLELLAN IN BOSTON.

Deputations from Portland, Me., Concord, N. H., and Lowell, Mass., wait upon Him—A Grand Serenade by all the Music Bands of Boston.

BOSTON, Mass., Tuesday, Feb. 3.

A delegation from Portland, Me., numbering a hundred of the most influential and respectable gentlemen of that city, had an interview with Gen. McCLELLAN last evening, and through the Hon. L. D. M. SWEAT, their Chairman, presented him with the complimentary resolutions inviting him to visit the City of Portland.

Gen. McCLELLAN received the Committee with the greatest courtesy, expressing his thanks for the flattering honor conferred upon him. He then alluded with satisfaction to the conservative feeling which he saw springing up in New-England, and remarked that he saw in this conservatism the hope, the strength and the glory of the nation. In concluding his short but eloquent speech, he promised to send on a written reply to the invitation to visit the citizens of Portland.

A Committee from Concord, N. H., then called upon the General, and presented him with an invitation to visit that city, after which Col. JOHN A. GRAHAM made a brief complimentary address.

Gen. McCLELLAN responded, saying that he felt highly honored at receiving such an invitation from his fellow-citizens of Concord, and he knew not how sufficiently to thank them for it, but that he was unable to accept of it, in consequence of having already exceeded the time devoted to his visit to the East. He further said that he was preparing a history of the Peninsula campaign, to which he wished to devote the principal portion of his time. At some future time, however, he hoped to have the pleasure of meeting his friends in Concord—but until then he must ask their kindly patience.

A delegation from the City of Lowell, Mass., then waited upon the General for the purpose of tendering him the hospitalities of that city.

The General replied that he deeply regretted that he was compelled to decline this kind and unexpected invitation, but that he hoped the delegation would convey to the citizens of Lowell his appreciation of the honor they had done him, as he felt and appreciated it deeply.

The General will visit Lawrence to-day.

To-night a grand serenade will be given to the General by all the musical bands of the City of Boston, who will assemble in front of the Tremont House.

BOSTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3—P. M.

Gen. McCLELLAN, accompanied by his wife and several friends, visited Lawrence to-day, in a special train. His reception was the most hearty of any demonstration in the history of that city. Thousands of citizens greeted him, amid the firing of cannon and ringing of bells. By invitation of WILEY EMERSON, Treasurer, the General was escorted to the Pacific Mills and manufactory. The General took much interest in examining that immense manufactory. After passing through the various operating rooms, he was conducted to the hall of the Pacific Company, where 3,000 children, who were assembled, greeted him with hearty cheers, and sang a course of songs—"March along" and the "Star Spangled Banner"—with which the General and his company seemed much pleased. Afterwards the party partook of a collation in one of the Pacific buildings.

Early in the evening the party returned to Boston. The General and lady declined to accept all the invitations to visit Portland, Concord, Lowell, &c.

The Serenade to Gen. McClellan.

BOSTON, Tuesday, Feb. 3.

The serenade to Gen. McCLELLAN took place this evening, at the Tremont House, where he is *stopping. The affair was almost wholly private, and* but few outsiders were admitted. The orchestra occupied Beethoven's phaeton, and the music was furnished in the rotunda.

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DIED.

ARNOLD.—In this City, on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 3, suddenly, DAVID P. ARNOLD, aged 45 years.

Notice of funeral is to morrow's papers.

BROWN.—In Elizabeth, N. J., on Thursday, Feb. 5, Rebecca C. Brown, widow of late Brittain M. Brown, aged 65 years.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, at the residence of her brother, Robert Carsley, No. 108 East 16th-st., on Friday, Feb. 6, at 2 o'clock P. M.

BURRESS.—In Brooklyn, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 3, SOPHIA, adopted daughter of Walton and Sophia S. Burgess, aged six years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, at 3 o'clock P. M., on Thursday, Feb. 5, at No. 15 Willow-st., Brooklyn.

DURHAM.—In this City, on Monday, Feb. 2, Mrs. PRUDE A. TRAVIS, relict of the late Alexander Durham, aged 68 years and 1 month.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, on Thursday morning, Feb. 5, at 11 o'clock A. M., from her late residence, No. 114 Greenwich-st., without further invitation.

☞ California and Buenos Ayres papers please copy.

EARL.—In this City, on Tuesday morning, Feb. 3, ALAIDE HAMILTON, daughter of David M. and Jane E. Earl, in the 3d year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, this day, at 4 o'clock P. M., from No. 40 Hammond-st.

EARLE.—In this City, on Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the St. Denis Hotel, LOUISE AMANDA, wife of Maj. F. S. Earle, in the 21st year of her age.

Her remains will be taken to Grand Rapids, Mich., on Thursday morning.

FRASER.—In this City, on Sunday evening, Feb. 1, THOMAS FRASER, in the 66th year of his age.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 2½ o'clock P. M., from his late residence, No. 36 West 29th-st.

FOWLER.—In this City, on Monday, Feb. 2, ANN ANDERSON, wife of the late Wm. Fowler, of this City, aged 54 years, 11 months and 11 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend the funeral services, on Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 159 East 21st-st.

JAMESON.—In this City, on Monday evening, Feb. 2, after a severe and lingering illness, DEBORAH, relict of Peter Jameson, in the 68th year of her age.

Her relatives and friends, also those of her sons, James L. and Peter H. Jackson, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 212 East 30th-st., this day, (Wednesday,) at 2 o'clock P. M., without further invitation.

KEARNEY.—In Perth Amboy, N. J., on Monday, Feb. 2, CATHARINE MONTGOMERY, relict of James Hude Kearney, of this City, aged 85 years.

The relatives and friends of her family, and those of her brother, Hon. James Parker, are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her son-in-law, C. McKnight Smith, N. J., on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 12 o'clock M.

KENNY.—In this City, at 4 o'clock, late residence, No. 81 Amity-st., MARY KENNY, in her 84 year.

The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from St. John's Church, Varick-st., on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 11 A. M. Trains leave Chambers-st. at 10 A. M. Carriages will be in readiness on the ferry.

LEE.—In New-Brunswick, on Sunday, Feb. 1, HENRIETTA L., daughter of Israel Smith, and granddaughter of Admiral Charles H. Bell, U. S. Navy, aged 2 years and 10 months.

STEVENS.—In this City, on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 3, JANE STEVENS, wife of Peter Stevens.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 1 o'clock P. M., from No. 60 West 26th-st. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral.

WESCOTT.—In this City, on Tuesday morning, Feb. 3, LOUISA ESTELLE WESCOTT, daughter of Robert F. and Cecilia Wescott, aged 1 year, 11 months and 26 days.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from No. 54 East 126th-st., on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 2 o'clock P. M.

WATSON.—In this City, on Tuesday, Feb. 3, DAVID JAMES WATSON, beloved son and only child of James and Lydia Watson, aged 2 years, 4 months and 26 days.

The remains will be interred in York Bay Cemetery, on Thursday, Feb. 5, at 1 o'clock, from the residence of his parents, No. 101 West 28th-st.

WYNGAR.—In this City, on Tuesday, Feb. 3, THOMAS B. WYNGAR, aged 22 years and 4 months.

Notice of the funeral will be given on Thursday.

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EXCITING NEWS FOR THE DEAF.—An instrument called Dr. Von Eisenberg's Air Passage Expander and Regulator, a gigantic machine, weighing nearly five hundred pounds, about five feet in height, a most wonderful apparatus for restoring sight and hearing, has just arrived for Dr. Von Eisenberg, the celebrated Oculist and Aurist, and will be on exhibition at the Doctor's office, No. 616 Broadway, for a few days previous to its use. The instrument is constructed decidedly on the most scientific principles. To give a detailed description would require a greater space than we can now spare. Our Oculist and Aurist seems to do everything in the line of his profession on a gigantic scale. The new instrument for restoring hearing to the deaf and sight to the blind is so constructed that it cannot fail to open the most obstructed air passages. His new consulting rooms, No. 616 Broadway, are correspondingly magnificent, and his practice as Aurist and Oculist large and eminently successful.

NEW-YORK, July 19, 1862.

This certifies that my mother has been for some time afflicted with partial deafness, suffering from pain, and rumbling noises in the head, together with other indications of a *total loss of hearing*. Dr. Von Eisenberg removed from her ears a great quantity of matter, together with congealed blood, relieving her instantaneously, and all without pain. For this grateful thanks that I give this testimony to his skill.

CARROLL J. POST, No. 22 South-st.

NEW-YORK, June 16, 1862.

I have great pleasure to add my testimony to the number of others which Dr. Von Eisenberg's great skill has already gained for him. I was suffering from deafness, accompanied by a very unpleasant discharge from my ear. The Doctor operated upon my ear, removing a polypus with a gentleness that fully demonstrated the efficiency of the scientific system peculiar to himself. I am completely restored to hearing.

JOSEPH MANNING, No. 120 West 30th-st.

NEW-YORK, June 19, 1862.

I have been for many years afflicted with deafness, accompanied by a roaring noise in my head, for the treatment of which I placed myself under the care of Dr. Von Eisenberg, and am happy to say that in this case the Doctor has shown that skill and knowledge which has placed him at the head of his profession. I do, therefore, with the utmost confidence, recommend any one afflicted with deafness to place themselves under his care.

HENRY BROWNING, No. 241 West 34th-st.

NEW-YORK, Nov. 6, 1862.

DR. VON EISENBERG—*Dear Sir:* Before taking leave of you, after your most successful operation on my ear, allow me to express my sincere thanks that, by your scientific surgical performance, I am enabled to hear distinctly, and enjoy a pleasure of which I have long been deprived—over a year. May you be rewarded by being enabled to perform many similar, to benefit other sufferers, and to your own emolument.

Allow me to present my kindest regards, and assure you of my grateful remembrance. Respectfully,

A. McDONALD REYNOLDS,

Captain Marines, United States.

NEW-YORK, April 15, 1862.

I have great pleasure in testifying to the complete success of Dr. VON EISENBERG'S. I have been afflicted with deafness and noises in the head for several years, with nearly instantaneous loss of hearing. Dr. VON EISENBERG has surpassed my belief in his skillful treatment to cure me in so short a time, and I am abundantly satisfied. S. A. SMITH,

No. 128 Atlantic-st., South Brooklyn.

NEW-YORK, May 17, 1862.

I have much pleasure in being able to state that I have entirely lost my deafness, which I had for many years, by complete loss of sight. I was operated upon by Dr. Von Eisenberg, with an artificial membrane, and only wished he could by some way give me an hearing. I required no ever, during my sight, until hearing of Dr. Von Eisenberg's great cures. I determined to place myself under his care as a last resource. It resulted in a great pleasure. From the skillful treatment, I can now hear conversation, and the ticking of the Office Clock. I have no hesitation in recommending all those suffering from diseases of the eye to place themselves under Dr. Von Eisenberg's care, with a positive certainty of a cure guaranteed. I shall be happy to bear personal testimony.

JOSEPH WALKER, Greenpoint.

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OUR FUTURE.

EXTENSIVE COLUMBIA SCAFFOLD

Wendell Phillips Points it Before an Immense Brooklyn Audience.

Abraham Lincoln a Mosaic President.

Or What the President in the Result.

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THE SECRET IS TO SAVE THE REPUBLIC.

Popular Sentiment Indicates Butler for New-Orleans and Fremont for Newbern.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

A full house and Wendell Phillips have been seen and heard together for so many years, that a moderate assemblage at any place where he had been announced to speak, would be matter of surprise, and would warrant a lengthy notice. But the audience last evening at Plymouth Church was not a moderate one in any sense. The church was literally crammed, at 7 o'clock, although it had been advertised that the proceedings would not be commenced until 8 o'clock, and all seemed to know that fact, for it was not until the hour hand upon the dial had reached the then most interesting figure upon the dial's face, that the slightest impatience was shown, and that was answered immediately by a voluntary on the organ, followed by the singing of a hymn to Liberty, written by Mr. THEODORE TILTON, and which was earnestly and heartily appreciated. The singing of the hymn concluded, Mr. PHILLIPS appeared upon the platform, accompanied by Mr. TILTON. As soon as the presence of Mr. PHILLIPS was known to the assemblage, he was long and rapturously applauded. When the general enthusiastic demonstrations had partially subsided, Mr. TILTON came forward and spoke substantially as follows:

REMARKS OF MR. TILTON.

He said he had been requested by Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER, to say that it had been his intention to be upon the platform that evening to introduce his friend. But he had been debarred that privilege by engagements, partially caused by the decease of his lamented father. Under such circumstances, he had delegated him (Mr. T.) to welcome his friend to the platform of Plymouth Church, and introduce him to his audience; and in doing so, he felt sure that there was no frequenter of Plymouth Church, or other friend of the broadest humanity, who would not welcome to the forum of free-speech, WENDELL PHILLIPS.

Mr. PHILLIPS was then introduced amid renewed applause, and proceeded to speak as follows of "Our Future:"

SPEECH OF WENDELL PHILLIPS.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: This is indeed the third time that I have had the pleasure of standing on this platform, and this is the first time that I can say, to my great delight, that in coming here this evening I was exchanging pulpits with Mr. BEECHER, [laughter,] for he speaks to-night in Boston, from the Music Hall platform—where I am sometimes found—to a crowd, if possible, larger than you give me to-night.

You recollect when I first had the pleasure of standing here. It was when a New-York mob had driven me from the Tabernacle, and when there was neither law nor order enough in that City to permit an Anti-Slavery voice to be heard. It was then that your Foster said that if New-York was overawed by the mob, Brooklyn was yet open for free speech, and that here it should be defended. [Applause.] The second time that I stood here was nigh three years ago, when I spoke to you in relation to JOHN BROWN, then in a Virginia jail. How great the result of that idea which he pressed upon the country! Do you know with what poetic justice Providence treats that very town where he lay in jail when I spoke to you before? The very man who went down from Philadelphia to bring his body back to his and relatives—journeyed every mile of the road, his life threatened, the bullets whistling around his head—that very man, for eighteen ten months is Brigadier-General in command of the town of Charlestown and Harper's Ferry. [Applause.] By order of his superior officers, he had the satisfaction of leading it his duty, with his own right hand, to put the torch to that very hotel into which he had been followed with insult and contumely, as the friend of JOHN BROWN; and when his brigade was under orders to destroy all the buildings of that neighborhood, with reverential care he bade the soldiers stop to spare that engine-house instance sheltered the old hero. [Applause.] I do not know any history more perfectly poetic than of that single fact happens given us in three short years. HUNTER TOMPKINS, the friend of JOHN BROWN, who went there armed with his life in his right hand, commands, and his will to lose; his sword the platform of terror, and his order the town is destroyed, with the single exception of that hall, which JOHN BROWN's presence has hallowed sacredness.

Now, the whole history of the country is in that single instance—wrapped up in it is the struggle which we have here to-night to talk about. I take it upon to you about our future. Firstly, it is fair to say that every one of you believes that he will see the disagreeable—I mean, fiscal, private, vast interests—the struggle will with century crashing and jostling against each other. In the kaleidoscope of the future no man can foretell a certain picture. We can only speculate behind the particular working out of the problem. We will duty to-night for the moment what seems to be the duty of good citizens in bringing the country against and safest out of the struggle. I think if there are any ideas, fundamental, practical, indescribable—part and parcel of the American mind—they are those I have had speech to every subject—unfettered liberty of thought and utterance everywhere, and on every topic. That is the fundamental ideal of American civilization, and next to that, almost as fundamental, is that other element of our national character, the certainty that the government belongs to us. [Applause.] That civilization is the working out of the most unfettered individuality consistent with comfort, and the quite great air by Providence for the working out of the problem is the American Continent. [Applause.] I believe these ideas make as much the real core of the heart of the man of Louisiana, as they do of Massachusetts, whether he is aware of it or not. Now with such a national character, but one interest possible, and that is the interest of freedom—the future of Union. [Applause.] No other great quiet have awaite us. Everything this side of that is struggle—is either war or near door to it. I believe we never shall reach peace—the country will never settle down to its normal level, until it has reached absolute freedom and entire union from the Lakes to the Gulf. Now some men see one thing, and advise one thing, and others advise the contrary. Some men speak of separation as a path to that result. Some men speak of the Proclamation of the President; others fear submission to the slave power. The Republican ideal is Union on one Anti-Slavery basis. The Democratic ideal is Union on any basis whatever; the reconstruction of the Southern States, conventions—a early blunder—Come in, on the matter what terms you will. My belief is that all that is only another name for war more or less [illegible] Everybody has been hoping, I suppose, that the Proclamation would be a true sense [illegible] but it was all the same [illegible] hated the Southerner, as long as the Union was [illegible] [Laughter.] Jefferson Davis knew perfectly well that there is but one master-stroke for a Confederacy based on Slavery, and that is treachery in New-England, but he knows that that stroke never come. He may "leave New-England out in the cold," but in the cold she still stands, [laughter and applause,] and as long as she chooses to do so, New-Orleans to-day is in sympathy with New-York. She knows it is her fate [illegible] It is not a war of sections. It is a war of Democracy only when sections arranged the other, and not before. Peace comes when [illegible] the heirs, and not before. Now, I would accept anything on an Anti-Slavery basis. I would accept compromise. I would accept Union. I would accept peace, on any the whole Confederate debt at par on an Anti-Slavery basis. On that basis I have invoked the hard-gun of National endeavor. I have invoked the gratitude of the country. I have [illegible] I will [illegible] on that basis. And until I reach that, no old country of freedom, no legacy of enlightenment, are in for the war. The South knows it, and if the North doesn't know it now, it will learn it in the course of a year or two. [Laughter.] These events of the day, what do they mean? They mean the irretrievable end of our institutions, which are stronger than any individual. That undercurrent which is bearing us on, and has borne us on for the last thirty years. It is an undercurrent to which we contribute, but which we have never controlled—inherent in free speech and in free thought. It is free speech a reality—no Wall-street Bank—no National patronage. Do you remember the lavish behest of the young man who went out to seek his fortune, and some fairy gave him a mill by which, when he entered into trade, he could procure any kind of product he wanted. He had only to wind it up, and pronounce the charm.

Grind mill—grind I say—
Grind I say—grind away.

Instantly—whether he asked silk or wool, cotton or bricks, he had them. So he fixed up his large warehouse, and commenced business in the far South, or the South, where such things occur. His neighbors watched the process, and stole the mill. You recollect this is the way the legend accounts for the saltness of the sea. The man got the stolen mill on board ship and weighed anchor, designing to carry the prize to some other land. He wanted salt, wound up the mill, pronounced the charmed words, and the mill ground out salt. It ground and ground; but he had forgotten to learn the counter-charm to stop the mill—so it covered the ship with salt. It sank the ship, and then sailed the whole sea, and is grinding yet. [Laughter and applause.] New, free labor is that mill. [Roars of laughter.] It began to grind when the Puritans landed at Plymouth Rock. It ground out Massachusetts. [Applause.] It ground out the Revolution. It ground out the Declaration of Independence. It ground out the Constitution. It ground out the Missouri agitation, that nearly broke the nation in halves. It ground out Kansas. It ground out Sumter. It ground out PRESIDENT'S Proclamation on the raising of Missouri. [Applause.] It ground out ABRAHAM LINCOLN and the first day of January. [Applause.] He meant to stop the salt in the beginning, but it will sink the nation with the saltness of the Proclamation that covers the continent. [Applause.] He cannot stop it. It is grinding to-day. [Applause.] It will grind forever, and Rev. DAVID KNOWS, and the whole South knows, that it will grind out their nation—making a bondage and aristocracy impossible in the future of things. [Applause.] Now it is between the inherent and uncontrollable elements that the war goes on to-day.

The question with us is: What is to be the fate of this generation? Are we to believe, with Senator LANE, of Kansas, that if the North is defeated in this individual fight, that we must write on her tombstone, "Killed by West Point?" or is there behind this routine something, so that we shall find the sky all bright and the clouds all gilded? Practically, where are the dangers? Well, it seems that the dangers are there. There lay before us two nations, the North and the South, geographically for a moment. At the North is the Democratic party raising its head, and by the Democratic party I mean everything that wishes to settle this question without cleaning out Slavery. [Applause.] Everything opposed to peace on an Anti-Slavery basis I include in my word Democrat. Now, what does this party mean to do? On the 4th of March, when this present Republican Congress ceases to exist—if not sooner called together by the President, and exerting the moral weight of the existence of such a legislative body of the Government—it means by the Supreme Court, which nobody is certain that he can trust to create a case to carry before that bench as they did the Dred Scott case. They expect an adverse decision, and upon the announcement of that decision they mean to throw the Judiciary across the path of the Executive, and say to the people that the Proclamation of the President conflicts with the Constitution. They may disarm the whole military movement, and the North may be put back, and also the preparations and purposes of the Republican Party—to prepare the way for a remonstrance, then for a convention, then for the admission of the rebel States into that convention, and then *carte blanche* for reconstruction on the basis of submission for a while to the old Slave power and the Constitution of '87. Now any man who knows the purpose of his party cannot doubt that what I have sketched in those few sentences is a fair view of the programme which they wish to carry out. Whether there will be an actual outbreak, and a combination of States against the National Government; whether there will be an effort to carry out the programme I have indicated, as I have indicated is the purpose of the party—this is the dark cloud before us. The reaction is not strong in its own strength—not because in the hearts of the people that is any basis for such a reaction, but because the Administration has given to its own party nothing to eat, [laughter and applause,] nothing to live upon. [laughter,] no military success, no consumption of power in the rebel States, no military activity, and, until the 1st of January last, not even a principle to swear by. [Applause.] The Republican Party has been defeated in the struggle simply because they had no means of replying to the bitter and relentless discouragements of their neighbors, in the elections of last Fall. I say this is the dark cloud in the sky before us.

Well, what is the bright section? The bright section is most in the policy—most as it is—of the Administration. I came from Washington recently, and I cannot say hardly whether I am encouraged or discouraged. I cannot say we have not armies enough. The fault is not there. I think we have men enough, if we find leaders, as LOVEJOY said in his last poem:

"Not men, but men, 'tis thus we fill,
Weak plants grow weaker by the lengthening,
What use to adding to the tall,
When 'tis the hand that holds the strengthening?"

That is exactly what we need—less Cabinet Presidents. Now, I find by Cabinet in Washington, and except the President, I find few honest men. But I will tell you what I think he was made of. He has sat for thirty years in Springfield, Illinois—in the North of him was a portion of the State free, educated, and republican. To the south was Egypt—ignorant, Pro-Slavery, worse than doughface—[laughter]—Southern, servile, dark. Mr. LINCOLN has been balancing all his life between these two elements to be popular with both, and he is the result of the balance. [Laughter.] This was his education for thirty years—no other—because he lived there he could not help it. [Laughter.] He has succeeded in being the favorite of that Middle State Illinois, and the result is ABRAHAM LINCOLN. [Applause.] Now there is no use in deceiving ourselves. When we take account of stock there is no use in making up the goods too high. [Laughter.] Well, how much can he be counted upon? His purpose may be good, but, in his own State he never walked a straight line. And the result was a compromise, and he was not able, in his present condition, to get out of his old habit. [Applause.] He could not have been elected if he had been a Northern man. The reason why your Senator [Mr. SUMNER] was rejected was because he was thought to be a Northern man. Was it a great mistake? Now you may question the Cabinet. Why send you Gen. STANLY in North Carolina? Oh, that was a mistake. Why leave you BANKS in New-Orleans? That was a mistake. But how happens it that there is never a mistake that leaves at the benefit of Abolition? Now, if I see a drunken man in the street, he falls invariably to the right and left. Then I know he is drunk. [Laughter.] But suppose he walks along the street, and falls always to the right side? I know he has got a brick in the right side of his hat. [Laughter.] Now, the Administration, when it makes a mistake, seems it is the interest of Slavery; it looks as if it had a brick in the south side of its hat.

We are to take, therefore, into our calculation of chances this item, that we have a President at present, so far as any probability appears, for all time; we are to have an Administration with this Southern bias. If we are saved, we are to be saved in spite of the Administration. If we are saved, I believe we shall be saved because it was not possible for ABRAHAM LINCOLN to fail, so. Now, I say it, notwithstanding I believe the honest purpose of the man. But time is our great element in this problem—time, that is harassing the South into a sunset—time, that is weakening the North into decrepitude and death—time, that is ripening the decision of Europe to put her hand into the quarrel—time, that is confirming the slave, and making him doubtful whether either side means him any advantage—time, that, as NAPOLEON said, "every hour that is an opportunity for misfortune." To be sure, the Government made a great mistake, and acknowledged it, when they sent Gen. BANKS down to New-Orleans, but what is the consequence of the mistake? They mean to send Gen. BUTLER back in sixty or ninety days. [Cheers for Gen. BUTLER.] He deserves a good cheer. He is the only General, in my mind, who has comprehended his office. From the first moment that he put on a shoulder-strap, he has been convinced of this one thing—"I am the Government, and those are traitors." [Applause.] He is the only one of our Major-Generals who, if he should die to-night, can lay it carved on his tombstone—"I am the only American who has yet cared to hang a traitor." [Great cheering.] Mr. PHILLIPS continued to eulogize Gen. BUTLER's administration of affairs at New-Orleans.

When BANKS goes in that city, he lets it to be understood that he is a gentleman, and that he is not to be [illegible] the best of Southern society. But if he comes in, he will find that Gen. BUTLER's proclamation has not the character of the whole region of Gen. BANKS, and gives no pretence to it with another. The consequence is that Gen. BUTLER is insulted in the street, and the consequence is that Gen. BANKS sends the Fifteenth New-Hampshire Regiment with four-hour granite backs, after the first day of January, to flog the slaves on the plantations of Louisiana. [Cries of "Shame, shame."] When the President said to us, "I would like to know what Madam think of my Proclamation," we said, "How will you ever know what your own General does them in the Department to which you send back. I think the One Hundred and Sixty-second Regiment of your own State, under Col. FAIRCHILD, has been detailed on one plantation whose master had the unconstitutional of his slaves on the 3d day of January, and sent for your own New-York boys to stand guard over the slaves that were holding out their hands for the Proclamation, and you guessed them into silence. ["Shame, shame."] Now, sixty or ninety days are to intervene before this timid, wavering, stupid General from Massachusetts is to be replaced by Gen. BUTLER—every hour golden, precious days before Republicanism deserts the Free Cause, and they are to be wasted. A very distinguished man said to me the other day, at the Adjutant-General's office, "If gold is to be put in the place of the 300,000 white soldiers who are to go on before the century of Man [illegible] [Applause.] He starts with 300,000 soldiers, and Gen. BANKS carries 50,000, and they are met and by black right hands. I consider that a great advantage. It will take a long time for the slave to be convinced of our sincerity. 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Because neither here at the North, nor from Congress, nor from the black has he heard any response to that proclamation. He reads the Democratic reaction as a rebuke. What you want is that such meetings as these should push your Representatives and Senators up to the duty of bearing to the President the significance, the real meaning of the events that are taking place at the South. Now, I am sorry to say, the only thing he gets is in the protests of individuals filling his private room with perpetual interviews. I said to you Senator and Representative, that is not your place to go to the President. I can go to the President, for I have no other place. One of the best representatives—a man who said if the Proclamation had not come too late he would have preserved his seat in Congress—what shall I do? I said, "Go home, assemble as many thousands as will listen to you, and tell them that if this Government is saved, it is to be saved by the masses making themselves felt to-day at Washington." How shall it be done? It is too late to make public opinion. I said to members of Congress, "Don't go to the President." If I were President of the United States and you come to me with these private remonstrances, I would send you out of the room. I would say to you, "Go into those halls." I don't want to see CHARLES SUMNER or BEN. WADE. I want to hear from the capital the voice of Ohio and Massachusetts officially. I don't want you here protesting against an administration and asking me to take individually the momentous responsibility at this hours of changing the whole personnel of the Administration. Go home to your own chambers and there spread out before the public the facts which you know. Inform and correct public opinion, taking your own share of responsibility which will upbind me in such a change." They won't do it. One of our Massachusetts papers said a few days since stories that I told of BANKS: "Nobody will believe them; it would take three such men to make anybody believe the stories. Now every one of these facts is known to the whole body of the Senate. They exist there; yet no Senator dares to take the responsibility of throwing down his gauntlet to the Secretary of State, and, in the presence of the public, demand a pilot who believes in the voyage. We have an Administration that means to hand you over to the next President elected, and let that decide the question. Judging it will be democratic, ending in a compromise, and give us back into the hands of the aristocracy of the South. We have a Senate and House of Representatives that has twenty-nine days before it, counting Sundays, that dare not put their foot down and tell what they know of the plots of the Cotton against the perpetuity of this Union and the success of this struggle. Now, I say, in such a state of things events are encouraging—men are in the field, men on their feet in New-Orleans, and North Carolina will come to life in spite of the Senate, a treacherous Administration, and a Mosaic President. [Laughter and applause.] If you have any weight, therefore, on public opinion, on the men that represent you in Congress, make them feel the pressure, and within thirty or ninety days, before that if possible, make them effect such a change in the personnel of execution of our Executive that they place us early in the Summer beyond the reach of misfortune. Gen. CUSHING, I do not believe, is in Richmond and his request. 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